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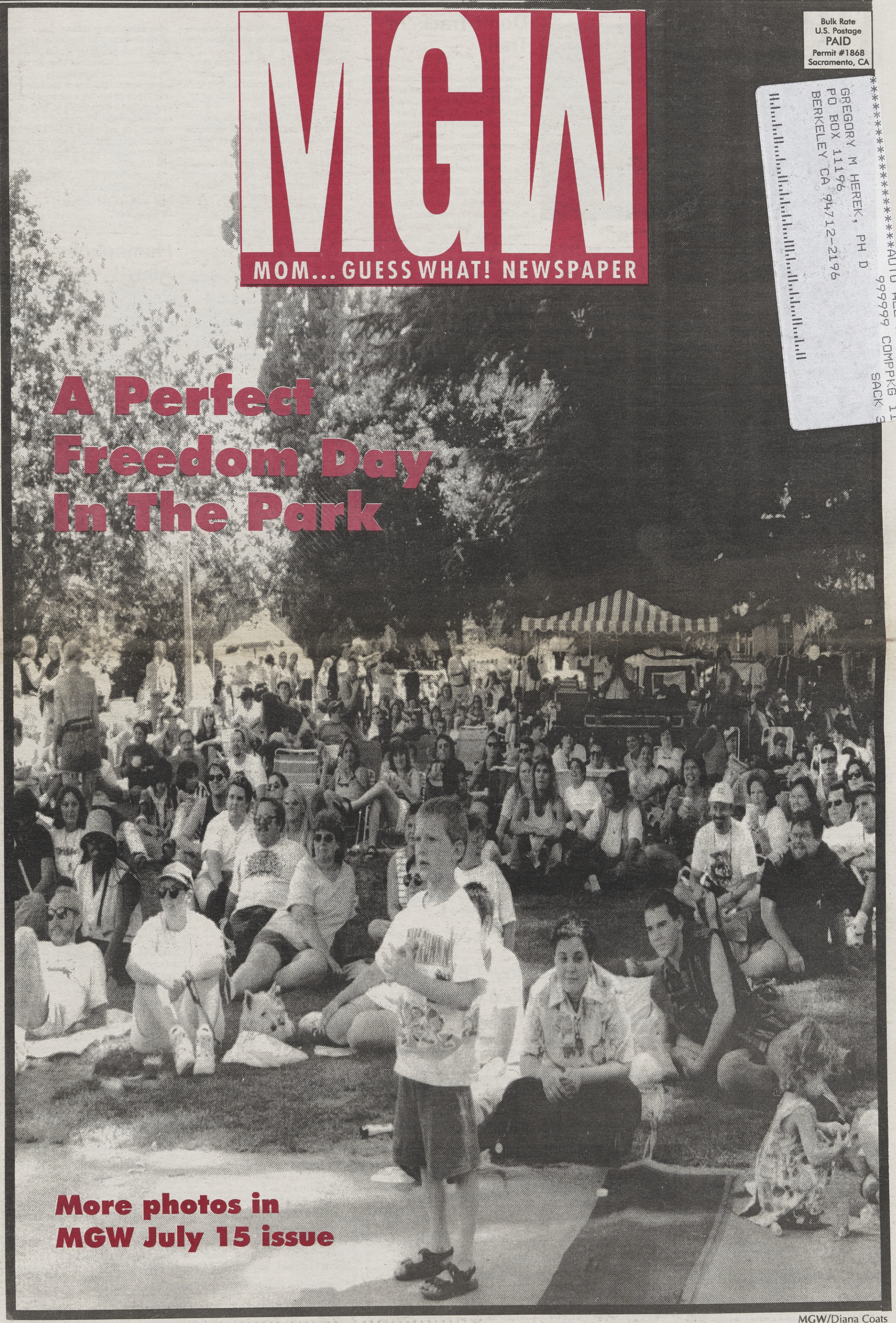

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Wild Men

The following letter was sent to the Clear Lake Edgewater Resort.

Dear Sandra and Lora,

Thank you so much for making your Wild Men's Weekend such a great time! It was the best mini-vacation I've had in a long time. Edgewater is gorgeous and immaculate. You and all of your staff were so warm and welcoming; you made us feel like old friends.

You attracted a real nice bunch of guys, and I'm sure the next one in September will be packed as the secret of Edgewater gets out. Of course, I'm ranting and raving to all of my friends about you.

I know you put in a lot of work for that weekend, and I just wanted to make sure you know it is greatly appreciated. I can't wait until the next Wild Men's Weekend. Thanks again!

Sincerely,
Mike Braswell
(Campsite 20)
Davis, CA

Yep Date Was In!

Dear Editor

I would like to apologize for accusing MGW of forgetting to publish the meeting date for the Sacramento Valley Bears. In an e-mail dated May 16, 1997, I wrote to you wondering how we could solve the problem.

However, the date for our May meeting "is" in your May 1st issue, and I must have somehow overlooked it. I hope I have not offended you, and sincerely apologize for the error.

I consider the MGW an extremely valuable resource for the Sacramento Valley Bears, and look forward to our continued relationship.

Sincerely,
Darren R. Besoyan
President, Sacramento Valley Bears

In Appreciation

Dear Editor,

Just a note to let you know we appreciated your newspaper putting our "Greater Sacramento Area Comics" anniversary pictures in. It was great to see us there and hopefully get the word out to other gay couples. Thanks again.
Your friends at GSAC.

Don't Track 'N' Trail

Dear Editor,

I recently applied for a position at the Track n Trail shoe store at Arden Fair Mall, Sacramento; I was appalled at the discriminatory techniques used by the store's manager, Tonia. I gained an immediate interview, and things were looking positive until Melissa Etheridge came on the stores sound system. Tonia commented that not only did she "hate" the song, but "couldn't stand the sleaze-bag", and that "she could have lived her whole life without Melissa's garbage!" I began to take this personally, since I'm a Lesbian. She then added that "Elton John was an exemption, since he was so talented, and that George Michael just couldn't be Gay!"

I realized then that I did not fit into this straight Mall-Society mentality. She continued on to include that applicants with tatoos and piercing don't stand a chance getting hired, since "they would probably steal all the Dr. Martins for their friends!"

This women is a walking stereotype machine!

I urge the Gay/Alternative community to boycott this business; or better yet, browse the store and give Tonia your Queerest Best!

Still Unemployed,
Name Withheld

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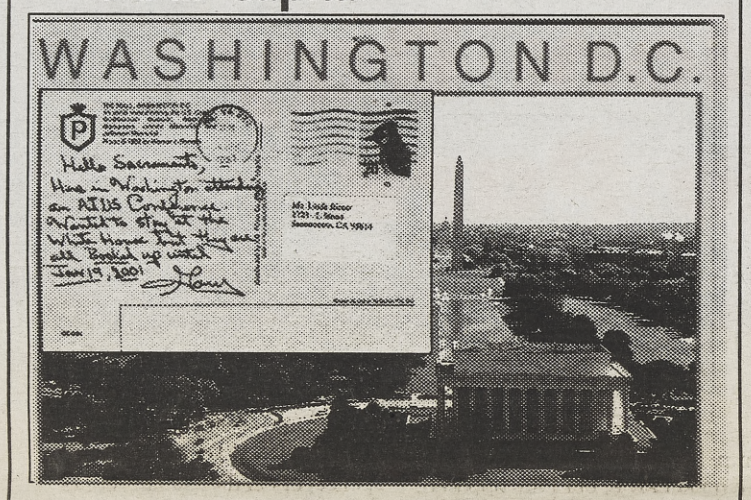

Camera Collector

Dear Editor,

I saw your ad for old cameras and found this old camera that belonged to my grandmother. I am in the process of thinning out my treasures and thought you might be interested in it. So you might be interested in it. So please accept it as a gift I hope it adds to you collection.

Sincerely,
Chuck Poppe

How I Perceive Ellen Truly Being Herself!

Dear Editor,

People have made fun' told jokes about Ellen's coming out, but the fact remains that if our society were such, as we profess it to be, this would not be necessary.

I think what Ellen is doing **is** very courageous, I'm not sure placed in her position, that I could do that so publicly. I know it is very difficult to do. I don't envy her.

For a country that boycotts and imposes sanctions on other countries for their inhumanities to man, this country and it's leaders, are hypocrites. What right do we have to impose ourselves on other people. If by the 'laws of the land' our "Bill of Rights" and our "Constitution," we're not breaking any laws, then it's no one's business.

Unfortunately, in our society, we label, bracket, and classify everything and everyone. Your rich, middle class or **poor,** white, black, Hispanic, Asian or other. I think you get the picture.

This community of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender people, is the most loving and accepting people with no conditions attached. The religious community preaches God, Christ, Love and might practice some of what they preach. But not the part about Love, because if they did everyone would be accepted without the conditions they put on people.

What do you care what I do with anyone else in my bedroom, **or** behind closed doors, as long as it's not hurting or criminal in nature and it's without a gun or weapon of any sort. Plus it's none of your business. Why don't you go after the bad people of this world?

Leave us alone to be the loving people we are, that is all we want, not your daughters or sons like most of you would like to believe.

Sincerely,
Judy L. Heine

Lawrence Welk Groupies Give Thanks

Dear Editor,

My wife and I wish to commend the corporate social maturity of Microsoft (we have gobs of your stock fortunately), Intel Corporation (whose stock I wish I had), Toyota Motors (whose vehicles are superb, and Pepsi (as my wife is a "diet" addict).

We also want to extend our gratitude to you for supporting the Ellen Show which we would have never seen if it had not been for all the publicity surrounding its presentation. Neither of us are sit sit-com types as we are a bit past the Generation X time line, i e., sort of Lawrence Welk Groupies.

What you did was a brave exercise of right against bigotry and you will be remembered by the majority for you integrity.

Our gratitude for you display of ethical responsibility.

Bud & Nena Heitmiller
Granite Bay

Homophobe Alert!!

The following was printed in a Dixon newspaper

I recently was made aware of the number of "gay" bills that are being proposed to our legislators that are designed to elevate and approve homosexuality. They are: AB 53 allows homosexuals to adopt children; AB 54 - establishes domestic partners; AB- 1059 forces insurance companies to provide coverage for domestic partners; AB 427 - forces taxpayers to subsidize domestic partners; AB 257 - forces property owners to rent to homosexual; AB 492 forces nonprofit groups to hire homosexuals; AB 499 allows homosexuals to prematurely launch "discrimination" lawsuits; SB 841 forces state contractors to subsidize domestic partners; SB 1037 gives "de facto" parent status to homosexuals, and last, but the most disturbing, AB 101- an advocacy bill in public schools.

There is obviously a big push to give homosexuals "special rights" that no other group has. Most of these bills will either cost taxpayers a lot of money or trample on personal religious beliefs. Either one is bad news. The most preposterous is the one that affect public schools. This one is an advocacy and promotion of the gay life-style.

Do legislators realize the tremendous possibility of lawsuits against school districts and the state from parents whose childrens health may be damaged or destroyed by this type of advocacy? The gay lifestyle poses high health risks; they have a short life-span and suffer numerous diseases that are associated with their behaviors. If for no other reason than the health risks, we should be steering our children away from the homosexual lifestyle, not promoting it.

Public education is being critically scrutinized and not held in high esteem as it is; legislation of this nature would certainly ignite a massive renewal for a "choice in education" bill and drive more parents to private or home schooling situations. Voters and taxpayers are tired of fighting this kind of insanity year after year. I'm going to write my representative and I hope you write yours.

Sincerely yours,
Marei Lewis - Dixon

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UNDER THE DOME

Denied the Mouse

Deborah Lattimore
MGW/Staff

Last week, 15,000 Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) delegates overwhelmingly declared a sweeping boycott of all things Disney, the symbol of family amusement, to protest what delegates called "gay-friendly" policies: benefits given to same-sex partners of gay Disney employees and "Gay Days" at Disney theme parks. Baptist leaders say the last straw was when actress Ellen DeGeneres came out as a lesbian in the sitcom "Ellen," on Disney's ABC network. Oh my.

Delegates urged the 15.7 million Southern Baptists, the largest Protestant denomination in the U.S., to refrain from patronizing Disney Co. and any of its related entities. "The issue is not about Disney coming down. The issue is Baptists going up to the level of God," said Tom Elliff, SBC president. While the Southern Baptists are making this lofty ascent, they are to turn their backs on Disneyland, Disneyworld, Disney Stores, "Lion King," "101 Dalmations," "Hercules," the Mighty Ducks of Anaheim, and ABC Television and radio networks and individual shows, including, can you believe it, "Regis and Kathy Lee."

What does Disney have to say? "We're proud that the Disney brand creates more family entertainment of every kind than anyone else in the world. We plan to continue our leadership role and, in fact, we will increase production of family entertainment," said Ken Green of Disney.

Reverend Freda Smith, pastor of Sacramento's River City Metropolitan Community Church, would like to remind the SBC that, "Jesus Christ said, 'Inasmuch as you have done this to the least of these my brothers and sisters, you have done it to me.' It's not to say that the gay community is perfect, but it is inconceivable to me that the gay community could ever vote to boycott a company for providing health benefits to spouses of heterosexuals. I predict that Disney attendance will increase greatly as fair-minded people react to the injustice of this action."

SBC resolutions, non-binding on the 40,613 churches affiliated with the SBC, are opinions and recommendations the convention makes to its members. What will Southern Baptists do? A member of the First Southern Baptist Church in Davis says, "Every individual Southern Baptist will make their own decision. We aren't ruled by the SBC; we are ruled by what God says to our hearts. I will buy a Disney movie if it's a good movie, but I am opposed to gay rights parades and domestic partnerships. I think homosexuality is a physical abnormality, and the honorable decision would be to be celibate. I encourage them to bring their behavior into line. We love homosexuals, but we don't love what they do." This member of the church did not have a comment about loving the two Mickey Mice in front of her church in the above photograph.

David Burckhardt, associate pastor at El Camino Baptist Church in Arden-Arcade, said, "We would never get up on the pulpit and say you should do this or do that. It's just that Disney has put their stamp of approval on a lifestyle we're not comfortable with." Delegate Reverend Rick Markham of Georgia objected that the convention was taking an extreme position, "throwing the baby out with the bathwater." Eve Wilhite, former Southern Baptist member for twenty years, feels, "I support their decision to boycott whatever they want to boycott. It has a right to its opinion just as I have a right to mine. People who do not agree with them should find another church. I did."

David M. Smith, a spokesperson for Human Rights Campaign, a national gay rights group, blasted the SBC vote, saying, "It was morally wrong for delegates ... to punish a company for simply refusing to discriminate against gay Americans."

And what does Mom say? If Southern Baptists do abide by the recommendations set forth by the SBC, it could certainly mean shorter lines for us at Disneyland, for which we are very thankful.

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Mickey Mice at Church

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NOT MY AISLE

Dad...Guess What?

For gay pride month, several shows, magazines, etc. have been rambling on about family relationships and coming out issues. Two things that in my opinion, when mixed, makes the Trade Center bombing look like a cherry bomb in a trash can.

I suppose I was actually very lucky. Most of my family was either accepting (sometimes to the point of smothering - "This is my cousin, he's gay.") or neutral ("just smile and nod and he'll stop talking about it in a minute.") or like my grandmother ("You should go in there and tell him not to be that way!") My mother is pretty cool about it now and we even have similar taste in men - it makes car rides lots more fun.

My father on the other hand is a hard person to figure out. On the verge of 50, Catholic and raised as an army brat, he's one of those people whose role model is - well, Al Bundy from Married... With Children. But his girlfriend and I agree he's actually more like Homer Simpson from the Simpsons.

He's a Jack-Of-All-Trades type person. He was a security guard for a few months - until he fell off a trampoline and broke his toe. He was also a volunteer fireman - until he fell off the back of the truck and hurt his knee. He's worked at apartment maintenance man and now... he's a nurse. I'm waiting for him to fall off an I.V. cart and switch to a job in Nuclear Physics.

He's really into music. His favorite singers are Celeste Diore (Celine Dion) and Stevie "What Do You Mean She's Bisexual" Nicks. He also likes Sindney Laupner, Gloria Esteppin and Reeva McEnture... at least he's got good taste.

Coming out to my father was something I hadn't intended to do. I was 17 and he was visiting (my parents divorced when I was 3 years old). He decided to do what parents do best: go through my desk while I was in another room. When I came back he was holding a (very) adult gay magazine in his hand and had a look on his face like someone just told him Joe Montana had died.

His first words: "Do you like this kinda stuff?" up, out of the deep recesses of my brain came the first coming out cop out I had ever uttered. "Well, I just experimented a little." If I had been there, I would have smacked myself! "Experimented" is nothing more than a Het-bred term meaning "had [gay] sex till the cows came home, but don't want the stigma you're about to attach to me for the rest of my life."

Surprisingly, from a person whose idea of a "real man" is a cross between Dirty Harry and Sgt. Joe Friday, he didn't say much. That is until three years later when I decided to get my ear pierced.

He tried in vein for weeks to get me to change my mind but in the end, he realized I was going to do it no matter what he said or did. So we went to Florin Mall and found a piercing place. The girl working there was enough to make him drool and me - well, if I had had the time I would have taught her the meaning of the term "Fashion Coordination". Peddle pushers in November, you poor mismatched thing.

I told her I wanted my ear pierced and she asked "which one. " (What a seasoned professional!) Faster than The Enterprise could reach the moon at warp nine the word "left" flew from my father's mouth. I immediately contradicted him in a very authoritative voice (yeah, if I were a field mouse) "right".

He turned bright red and realizing he was old enough to have a coronary (or fake one realistically enough to make me have to wait) I begrudgingly mumbled "my left ear is too prone to infection." As a result I then sat through a ten minute lecture about hypo-allergenic metal and was pushed into buying the $9.95 bottle of cleaner instead of the $2.50 bottle.

Still, there are times I manage to get even with him. Like when I scrape my fingernails down the bathroom door while he's - well, you know ("now I have to mop the damn floor again!"). Or I change his on-screen VCR language to French and put a lock code on it. "Pulez vous de grasse du de allignment? Damn VCR's talkin' to me in Japanese!" Well, at least if he ever goes to France he'll be able to set the VCRs.

It's no secret that my father and I see eye to eye on very little. And we seem to spend more time arguing than anything else. But, sometimes he surprises me. Like last year he made a donation to the Lambda Center. He calls me to tell me when a gay-related movie is on cable ("There's two men humpin' on the Sundance Channel"). And last year, he got his ear pierced (left of course). I'll make a liberal of him yet. But if I don't - hey, not my - oh wait, I guess it is my aisle...damn!

- M. Burlingame-Couk

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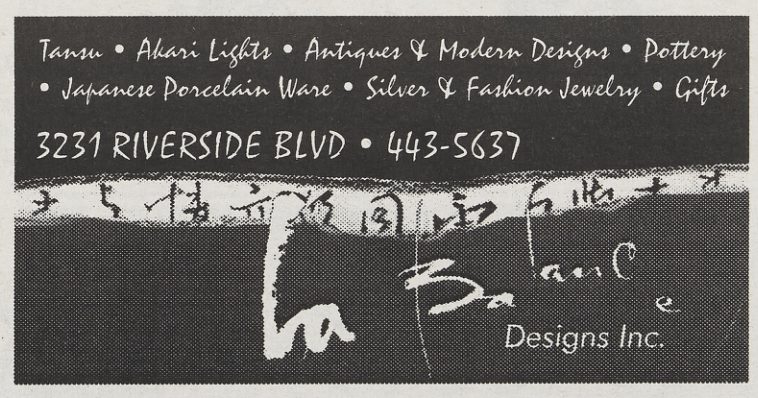
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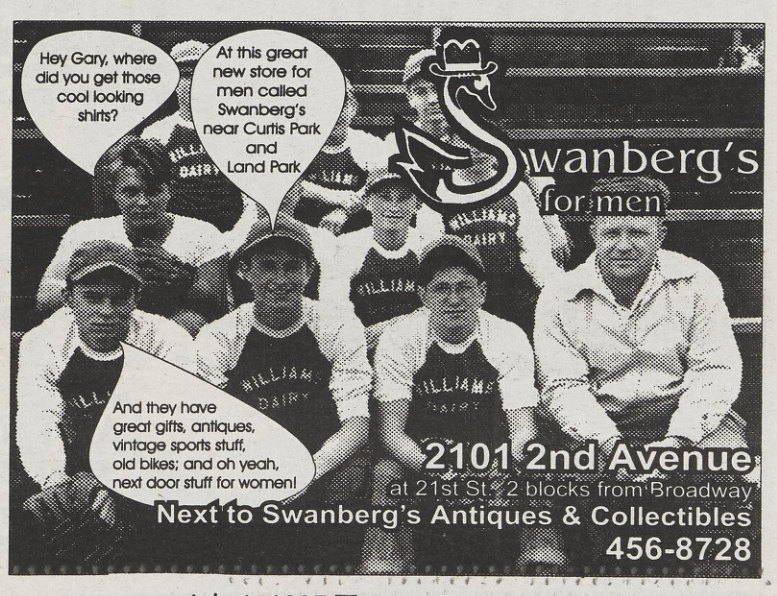
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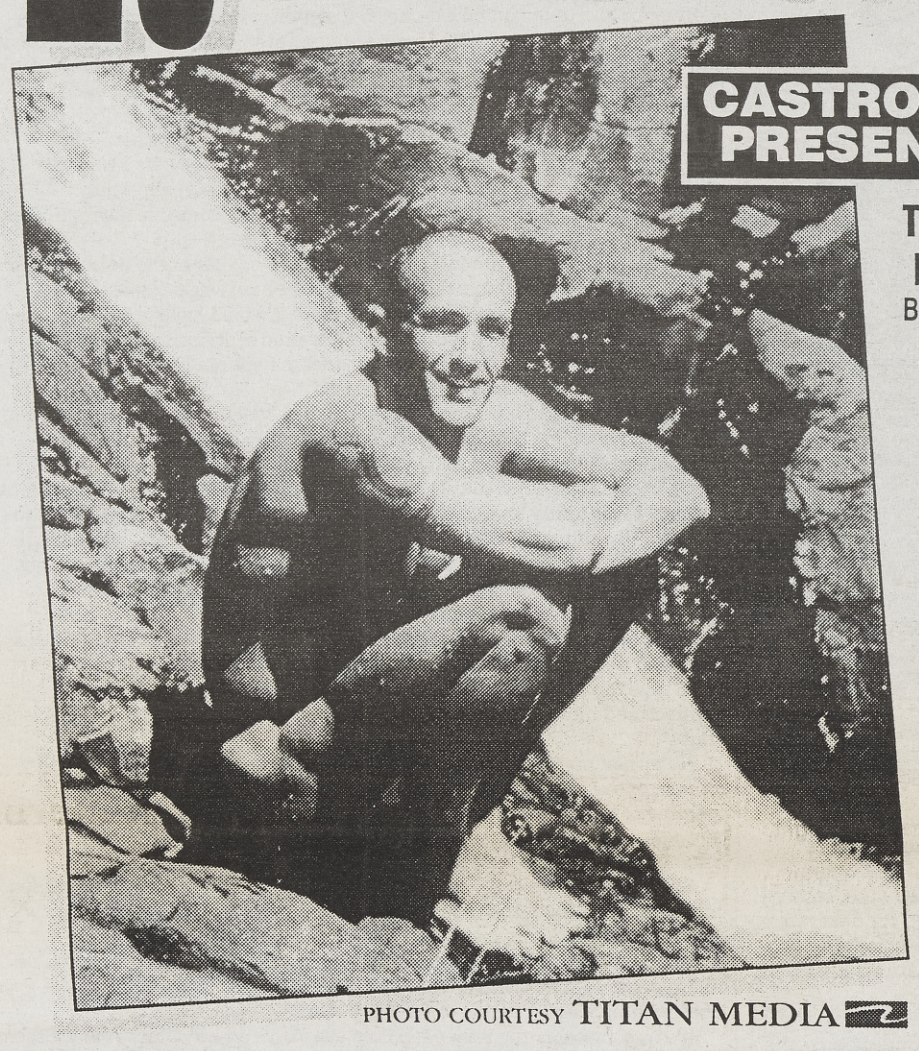

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Good Times, Good Food, Good Brew at Sacramento Brewing Company

by Kate Myers
MGW/Staff

Where do you go on a Friday night, when you don't really have the energy to dress up and put on the Ritz, but also aren't in the mood to brush crumbs off the seats or wipe "smudges" off the salt and pepper shakers so that you can use them without withholding a grimace? Especially when it's already 7:30, you're really irritable, and your stomach is insisting that you forget about reservations and just "Feed Me"

It didn't help matters that Busy B. and I were in the midst of a Friday night burnout energy crisis. We were too tired to dress up, too jaded to choose a cuisine, and too apathetic to open the refrigerator door and dump salad onto a plate. None of the imprisoned leftovers that were still current and stationary looked appealing or even interesting. We wanted complete satisfaction with no effort, and we wanted it now. Our taste buds were crying out for a thrill, something to make this long week's labors seem worth the trouble.

As luck would have it, a coupon I'd received in the mail several days earlier was burning a hole in my pocket. The place was close, cool and quick, and with a coupon for a free entree with the purchase of another, it was destiny. It was the Sacramento Brewing Company at Town and Country Village. Pure Providence, it so happens.

Big, busy and colorful without feeling crowded, Sacramento Brewing Company manages to be classy and casual at the same time. The multi-level dining area offers a choice of settings, including intimate corner booths, busy window panoramas, and views of the coppery-colored brewing apparatus whence came the fine suds that wakened our palates. In the bar a crowd roars at one of several color TV screens and quaffs Brewmaster David Teckam's delightful beers and ales. (By the way, the Miner's Golden Ale and the Red Horse Ale are really good.) At the front counter you can buy your choice of tee shirts or beer glasses in various styles. If you're looking for a great brew, enthusiastic sports spectatorship and great food, don't miss SBC.

We both loved it. The service was excellent, the food wonderful, the ambience exciting and comfortable at the same time. Our friendly and impeccably professional waitperson, Anne, did such a great job of describing the menu selections that she had us drooling. Her sense of timing was perfect, and those of you who have spent your entire weekend waiting to catch a waiter's eye know how far this can go toward making your dining experience a gratifying one. If I were the competition, I'd snap her up.

SBC's new menu, which debuted June first, covers Walnut and Gorgonzola Salad and the Blue Cheese Fries. (One dish health conscious and the other not, our "diet compromise" for the evening). The salad, at $7.95, was a generous serving of fresh field greens, perfectly aged crumbled Gorgonzola, sugared walnuts, and thinly sliced tart green apples that were set off nicely by a very good balsamic vinaigrette.

The Blue Cheese Fries, served on a plate slathered with a lusty blue cheese dressing that was drizzled with spicy chili oil, was a melt-in-your-mouth sinful delight, and with a glass of ale, would make a truly decadent lunch all by itself. I enjoyed it so much that I still feel guilty! And the price of $4.25 was more than worth it.

We forced ourselves to cool it and take some home so we could save room for the main course. I chose the Ostrich Scaloppine for $16.95, while Busy B. went for the Oasis Drunken Pig Tostada for $8.95. This wonderful dish is a signature salad of Sacramento Brewing Company's sister restaurant, SBC's Oasis. Piled a good 4 or 5 inches high on a crisp tostada shell, authentic, succulent Kalua Pig, pepper jack cheese, black beans, crisp veggies, buttermilk dressing and roasted peanuts topped with a really good guacamole had us hooked. We are now spoiled for life.

The Ostrich Scaloppine was out of this world. It was my first time. SBC was gentle with me. They made it an experience that I will always remember with a dopey glazed look in my eye akin to my first-ahem-spiritual experience.

Not knowing what to expect, I was pleased to find that ostrich, properly prepared as it was, tastes much like a choice cut of tender flavorful beef, only a lot juicier and even more tender than a cut of beef that lean would be. I might have suspected that it was prime Omaha beef, were it not for the tenderness and texture that was more like, well, ostrich.

Charbroiled rare and to perfection, The Ostrich Scaloppine was served with a wild mushroom risotto, that while still a bit al dente, was so flavorful that I would do it all over again. It was served nestled in a bed of sauteed Swiss chard, white corn, zucchini, and sweet onions, and garnished with fresh rosemary and cherry halves that complimented the surprisingly subtle cherry demi-glace that lifted the whole dish from very good to excellent. I couldn't think of a single improvement.

If you are looking for your first Ostrich experience to be a fulfilling one, let Sacramento Brewing Company initiate you into it's delights. You'll leave with a smile on your face and never be the same.

Alas, Busy B. and I were forced to decline the viewing of the dessert cart, as our taste buds were singing, our tummies groaning and our hearts content. We both recommend it heartily.

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While not a cheap night out, it was worth the trip. If you're in the mood for good food, good brew or just a great place to catch the game, this is it, folks! ▼

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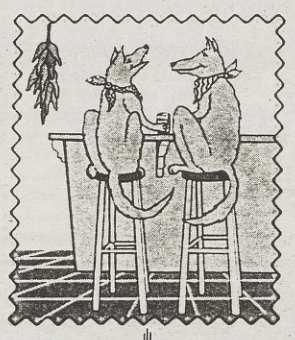

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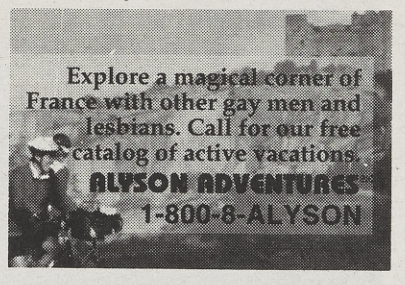
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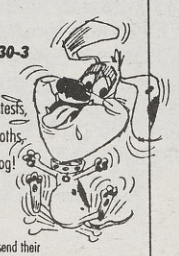

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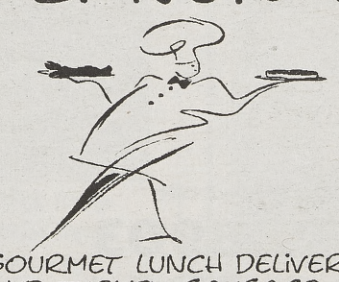

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Thousands Turn Out for Lambda Freedom Fair

Approximately 5,000 people attended last week's Freedom Fair in Sacramento at the Capitol, a fundraiser for Lambda Community Center. Organizers estimate the event could generate $20,000 for Lambda, which is wrestling with a $40,000 debt. - Sacramento Bee

Pat Robertson Replaced

One-time Reagan official Don Hodel will replace Pat Robertson as president and chief executive of the Christian Coalition. Former Rep. Randy Tate of Washington state will replace Ralph Reed as executive director. Hodel. Reed will open a political consulting firm. Robertson will become chairman of the coalition's board of directors. - Sacramento Bee

Dalai Lama on Gay Sex

"From society's viewpoint, mutually agreeable homosexual relations can be of mutual benefit, enjoyable and harmless," the Dalai Lama said at a press conference in San Francisco, part of a four-day visit to the Bay Area.. "From a Buddhist point of view, men-to-men and women-to-women is generally considered sexual misconduct. When it comes to interpreting scripture, I can't undertake that on my own. We would have to have consultation with other Buddhist traditions." - San Francisco Chronicle

Airport Artists!

The Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission is seeking two artists to create works to grace the new Terminal A at Sacramento International Airport. Works may be paintings, bas-relief, photographs, fiber art or suspended sculpture. Each commission will be for $80,000. 264-5971. - Sacramento Bee

Spanish Parliament Passes Partners Bill

Spain's Parliament passed an extensive civil rights package, providing gays with health care benefits, access to state widower's pensions, and alimony in the event of a separation.

San Francisco Maintains Regulations of Gay Sex Clubs

S.F. Human Rights commissioners voted 5 to 1 to uphold rules regulating city sex clubs. The city regulations prohibit private rooms for sex and ban sex without condoms. Club staff members also must monitor sexual activities to prevent patrons from engaging in unsafe sex, and lighting must be sufficient to allow staff to observe what kind of sex is occurring. "The prohibition of private spaces has the effect of banning gay bath houses and is clearly an attack on the gay community's right to privacy." Dean Goodwin, Mayor Brown's liaison to the L/G/B community, said, "If the city has to support these clubs as businesses, then we have the duty and obligation to protect the health and livelihood of the patrons." - San Francisco Chronicle

Justice Department Meets with Trans Activists

Sixty transgender activists met with several congressional members to educate them about transgender issues, including hate crimes. The lobby effort yielded letters signed by 12 congressional representatives, urging Attorney Janet Reno to ensure that transgendered people "achieve the same degree of personal safety that all ... Americans seek." Signers included openly gay Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) and Rep. William Clay (D-Mo.). - Washington Blade

Study Target Lesbians' Risk for Osteoporosis

Some physicians believe that lesbians are at greater risk for breast, ovarian, and endometrial cancer, not because they're lesbian but because they're more likely to have not ever been pregnant. Women who don't give birth and breastfeed do not experience the burst of estrogen that comes with pregnancy, which may ward off cancer and protect against the bone loss that leads to osteoporosis. A first-of-its-kind study of 50 lesbians and 50 heterosexual women is being conducted in Maine. - Philadelphia Gay News

Oakland Lesbian gets "Gloria" Award

The Ms. Foundation for Women has awarded Rinku Sen, co-director of the Center for Third World Organizing a "Gloria" Award at the 9th annual Gloria Steinem Awards: A National Salute to Women of Vision. Sen was presented the award by writer and activist Alice Walker.

Elizabeth Taylor Tattooed?

"I was going to get a tattoo. A girlfriend had given it to me for Christmas. The tattoo artist came to the house. And I couldn't think of any one place on my body that I wanted anybody to see. So I didn't get it," Taylor is quoted in Good Housekeeping.

Chicago's Gay District Getting Overhaul

Chicago Mayor Richard Daley has targeted the heart of "Boys Town," Chicago's gay commercial strip, for massive improvements of more than $2 million. The project is part of the "Neighborhoods Alive" program.

Traveling to Chicago?

The Chicago Area Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce unveiled a new map of G/L-owned and supportive businesses in northside neighborhoods of Lakeview and Andersonville. 1-800-GL-CHAMBER.

Kuehl at National G/L Law Conference

Lavender Law '97, national conference of G/L attorneys, judges, legal workers and law students, will be held October 25-27, at the Hyatt West Hollywood. State Assembly Speaker Pro Tem Sheila Kuehl will deliver the keynote address.

Martha Stewart, Babe

"He wants her for his own. She sews, she cleans, she cooks, she has low-maintenance hair. In fact, she's just like Mom, if Mom were a babe," is everyman's reaction to Martha Stewart, as interpreted by Joe Fiorito in Air Canada's En Route magazine.

"Cats" Plays On and On and On and On...

Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Cats" 6,138th performance makes it the longest running show on Broadway. An estimated 47 million people have seen "Cats" worldwide.

Retirement Home for Gays

Bill Laing of Palmetto, Florida, has broken ground on the first model home in his 22-acre retirement community for gays. Homes are from $64,999 for assisted living space to $114,000 for a three-bedroom home, plus a monthly fee of several hundred dollars. People will not be buying the homes, but have the privilege of living there. The community is nonprofit, and Laing intends to bequeath it to the gay Metropolitan Community Church. The Gay and Lesbian Association of Retiring Persons wants to take the idea national. - San Francisco Examiner

Gay and Lesbian Medical Association Annual Symposium

Physicians and medical students will gather in San Francisco August 21-23 for cutting-edge presentations on the latest research results from studies such as protease inhibitors, challenges faced by HIV-positive physicians, and primary medical management for G&L organizations. (415) 255-4547.

San Diego Pride 1997 Grand Marshal

National ice skating champion Rudy Galindo will serve as grand marshal in the San Diego G/L Gay Pride Parade July 25-27, along University Avenue in Hillcrest.

International G/L Conference

The largest G/L religious gathering will take place in Sydney, Australia July 20-25. Troy D. Perry, founder and moderator of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches will present workshops and seminars. (310) 360-8640, email UFMCCHQ@AOL.COM

Twelve-day Tour of Italy

All Continents Travel offers the "La Dolce Vita" tour for fall 1997, designed for the gay traveler looking to experience the Italian lifestyle without feeling like a tourist. (310) 645-7527.

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7. Miami Beach - Haven for gay tourists and residents.
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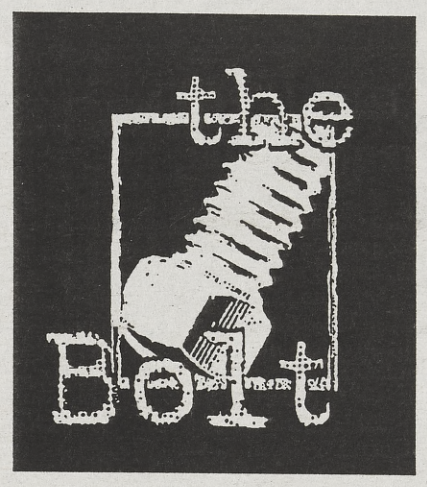

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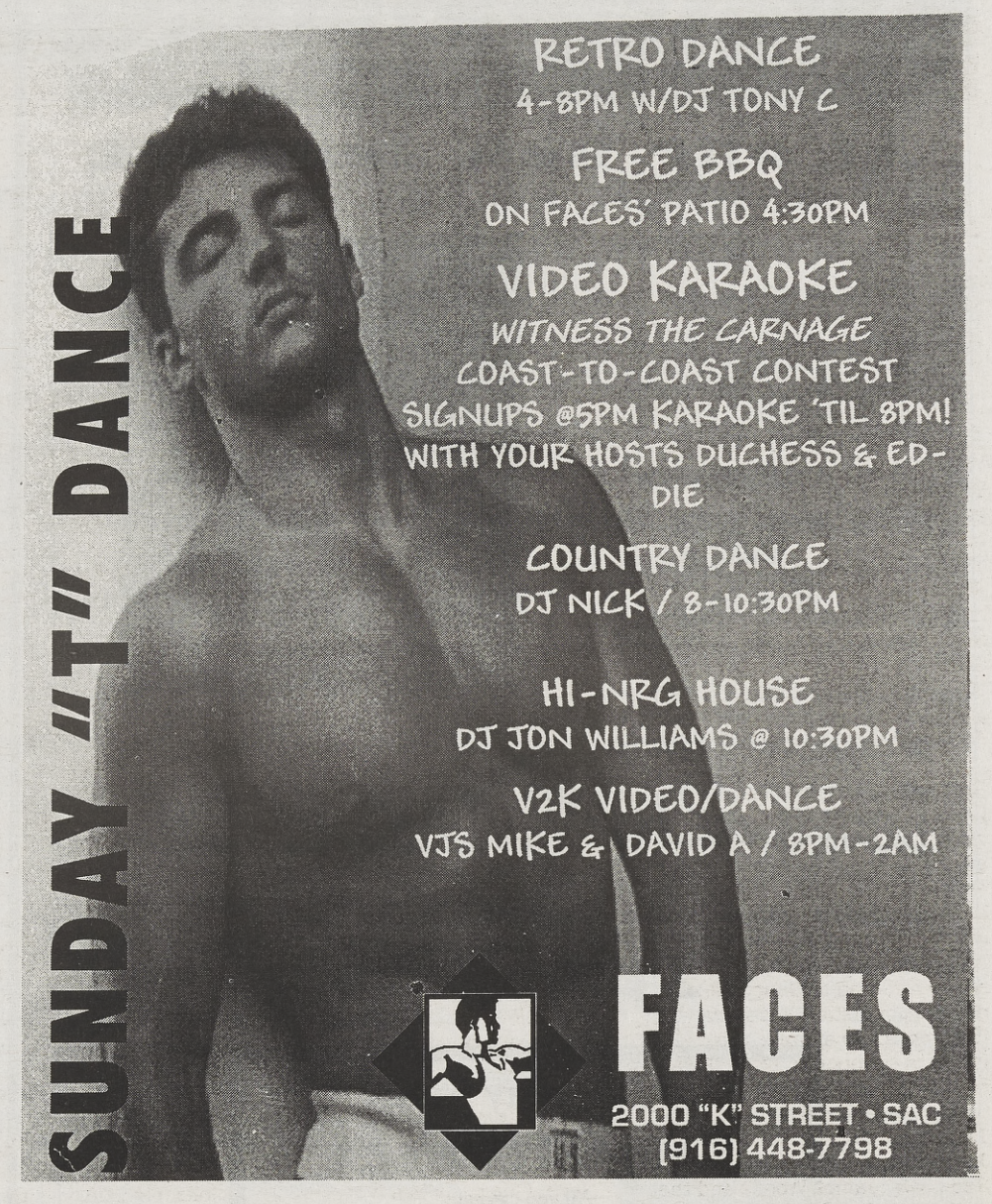

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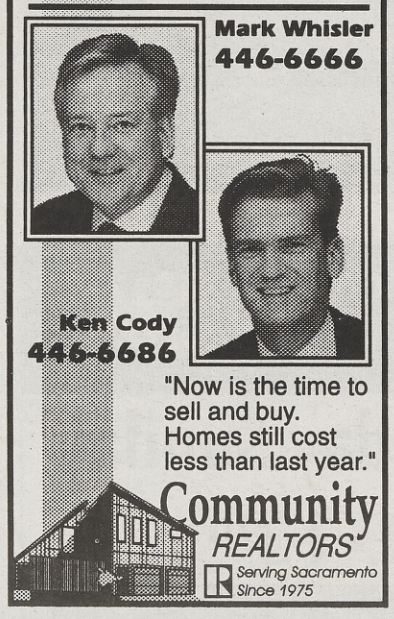
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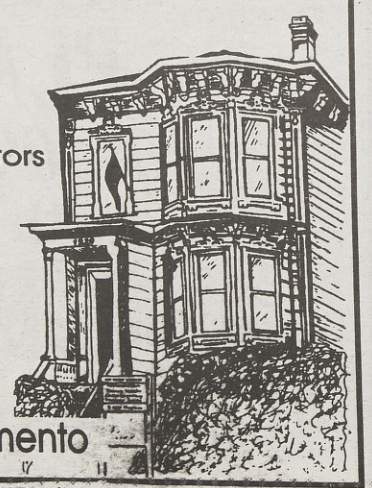

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Aliens, Spaceships and Dykes, Oh My!

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Film

July movie screens are bringing so many aliens it's going to look like Ellis Island during the Irish potato famine. July 4th premieres the sure-fire hit Men In Black, a special effects packed comedy starring Wil Smith (Six Degrees of Separation) and Tommy Lee Jones (Volcano). The actors play secret agents who keep tabs on and citizens safe from outer space creatures of all kinds. The cast also features Linda Fiorentino, Tony Shalhoub (Wings) and Rip Torn (The Larry Sanders Show) under the direction of Barry Sonnenfeld (The Addams Family). Wil Smith's last hit Independence Day also opened on July 4. *Coincidence? Hardly!* ▼▼▼

Jodie Foster's next film Contact, based on Carl Sagan's book, opens July 11 and early word says she's in line for another Oscar nomination. Jodie plays a radio astronomer who discovers and decodes radio signals from space and subsequently makes contact. In one scene, Jodie has a 10 minute scene pleading to Congress for greater understanding of the need to reach out to extraterrestrial life. It has been reported that when this scene was filmed, many of those on the set were in tears at the end of Jodie's scene.. 'Contact' co-stars John Hurt (Naked Civil Servant), Rob Lowe, James Woods and the overated Matthew McConaughey under the direction of Robert Zemeckis (Back to the Future). ▼▼▼

Matthew McConaughey

Also opening July 11th is Star Maps from writer/director Miquel Arteta. This small budget independent feature is the story of a Chicano youth named Carlos who will do anything to become a big film star. *Wow, what a concept, too bad Pia Zadora never thought of that.* Brimming full of dark humor with a Latino-rock soundtrack, Carlos is put to work by his father, selling maps to Hollywood celebrity homes, but is actually working the street as a male prostitute. ▼▼▼

Ellen Degeneres will spend her Summer hiatus writing her second book in addition to filming the movie Mother Nature. Maybe Ellen can find time to watch the cable airing of Wilde Side. This is the unsuccessful film featuring steamy scenes between Joan Chen (Twin Peaks) and Ellen's girlfriend Anne Heche. ▼▼▼

Priscilla, Queen of the Desert director Stephan Elliot has three upcoming projects. The Big Red is scheduled for an October release, The Husband I Bought is in development for Paramount and the romantic thriller The Eye of the Beholder is about to begin production. 'Priscilla…' co-star Hugo Weaving (Priscilla, Queen of the Desert) stars in The Interview, from Southern Star Films of Australia. The story follows a man playing cat-and-mouse with two chilling interrogators. ▼▼▼

Merchant Ivory Productions, the makers of 'Maurice' and 'Room With A View' have formed a partnership with Capitol Films. Their first joint venture will star Nick Nolte and is based on Kaylie Jones novel 'A Soldier's Daughter Never Cries'. James Ivory directs while longtime partner Ismael Merchant serves as producer. ▼▼▼

Sony Pictures will distribute Gary Oldman's directorial film debut Nil By Mouth in the U.S. The picture debuted at the 97 Cannes Film Festival, has an original score by Eric Clapton and is based on Oldman's early childhood in a South-London working-class neighborhood.

Goldie Hawn and Madonna have indeed signed for the film version of the musical Chicago. Goldie will play Roxie Hart while Madonna plays Velma, Roxie's jailhouse buddy. Larry Gelbart (M*A*S*H) has written the script and Marty Richards (The Life) will produce for Miramax Films. ▼▼▼

Christina Ricci (Adams Family Values) stars in the upcoming film The Opposite Sex with Lisa Kudrow (Friends), Lyle Lovett, and Martin Donovan. The film follows a teenage girl who runs away to be with her Gay brother and develops a relationship with his younger boyfriend. The boyfriend will be played by Ivan Sergei who will be seen this fall in the syndicated action series from director John Woo called Once A Thief. ▼▼▼

First Look Pictures has a number of new projects. Richard E. Grant (Pret-A-Porter) and Helena Bonham Carter (A Room With A View) are in Keep The Aspidistra Flying based on the George Orwell work. Vanessa Redgrave joins Rupert Graves (Maurice) in Virginia Woolf's Mrs. Dalloway and Vanessa's sister Lynn Redgrave stars opposite Ian McKellen in Father of Frankenstein. ▼▼▼

Krya Sedgwick re-teams with Loosing Chase co-star Helen Mirren in the film version of Richard Dooling's novel Critical Care. Sidney Lumet directs with a cast that includes Anne Bancroft (Torch Song Trilogy), James Spader (Crash) and Albert Brooks (Mother). ▼▼▼

British filmmaker Jonathan Harvey (Beautiful Thing) has joined forces with techno pop sensation The Pet Shop Boys to develop a movie musical that should open by the end of the year. *I hope they do something with their song 'I Love You, You Pay My Rent'.* ▼▼▼

Theatre

On the subject of musicals… Robert De Niro's Tribeca Productions is working with the rock group Queen to create an original musical for the 1998 Broadway season. The show's book will be written by Craig Lucas (Longtime Companion). Tribeca is also joining forces with Miramax Films for the motion picture version of the hit musical Rent. The theatrical version of Rent opens at the La Jolla Playhouse July 1 in La Jolla, CA and runs through Sept. 14. This West Coast version stars Doogy Houser himself, Neil Patrick Harris as Mark and Wilson Cruz (Johns) as Angel the drag queen. ▼▼▼

Pornstar Ryan Idol is aiming to go legit. Concluding his recent performance in the play Making Porn, Idol says he will be attending the culinary program at UCLA in order to open his own restaurant. This could bring a new definition to the title Head Chef. ▼▼▼

Anthony Rapp, who plays a documentary filmmaker in the New York production of Rent, will star in the new independent release David Searching. Rapp, who doesn't seem to be fearful of typecasting, plays a gay documentary filmmaker who is searching for the perfect mate. Playwright/actor David Drake (The Night Larry Kramer Kissed Me) co-stars. ▼▼▼

Development is under way, down under, on a new and original musical based on the life of song-and-dance man Peter Allen. Aiming for an Australian premiere in March of 98, the show is called Peter Allen: The Boy From Oz. Allen, who died of AIDS in 92 is best known as the co-composer of the Oscar-winning song 'Arthur's Theme' and being Liza's Minnelli's ex-husband. *And she thought all those photos of Judy Garland he brought into the marriage were just to honor her mother.* ▼▼▼

Kathleen Turner (Serial Mom) plays Tallulah Bankhead in a one-woman show at this Summer's Chichester Festival in Great Britain. ▼▼▼

David Alan Grier, best known as half of the Men On Film duo from In Living Color, takes over from Whoopi Goldberg as Pseudolus in A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum on July 13. Whoopi chose to leave the Broadway revival to work on a new UPN series called Ruby. The Oscar-winner will provide the voice for an animatronic character. *Whose idea was it to combine Alf and the Color Purple?* ▼▼▼

Whoopi Goldberg

Miscellaneous

In Dennis Rodman's new book Walk on the Wild Side, Dennis admits to having had sex with a transsexual. *Sound like he and Eddie Murphy been hanging out together, in more ways than one!* ▼▼▼

Greg Louganis has re-teamed with Steven Stern, director of the telefilm version of Greg's bio Breaking Surface, to create a direct-to-video diary of Greg's life today called Looking To The Light. This is a feature-length documentary which covers the high and low points of Greg's life over the last couple of years. The project was expected to be completed in June to coincide with the 3rd anniversary of Greg coming out at the Gay Games IV. If you have any friends in Charlotte, North Carolina, let them know that Greg will be speaking before the Charlotte Business Guild on July 14.

Rudy Galindo, and maybe a few heterosexual ice skaters, will appear in the 1997 Tour of World Figure Skating Champions at the San Jose Arena July 6 and the S.F. Cow Palace on July 8. ▼▼▼ ▼▼▼

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"It's a lot of fun to be Gay. In a way, I think that's why people don't like us, because we have a lot of fun."

- Actor Mitchell Anderson (Party of Five)

Dennis Rodman

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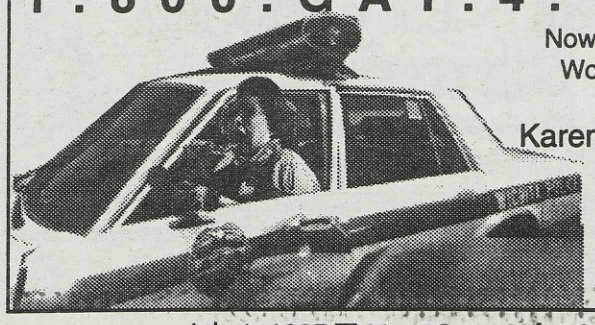

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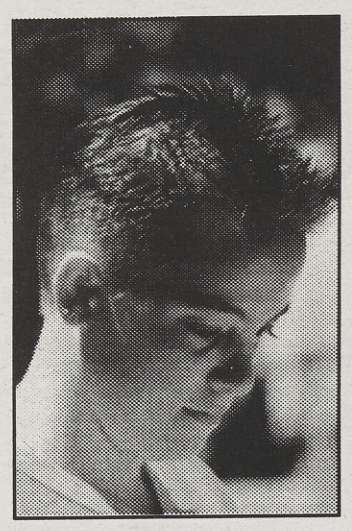
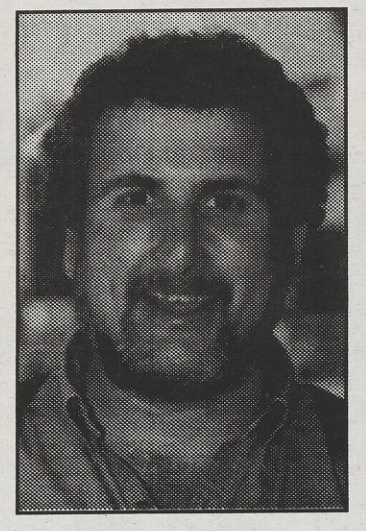


Valerie Brown

I think it is extremely important to have that center! I think it is really great. I am not from here, I am from Reno, and they need one too.



Andy Wasserman

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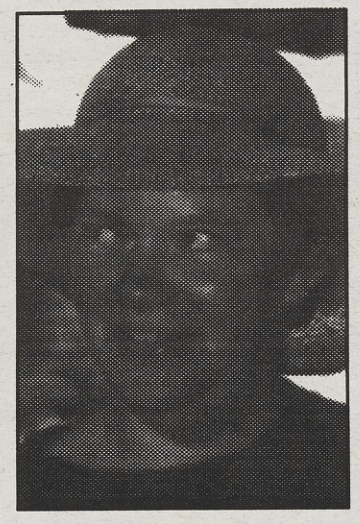

Corrine Walters

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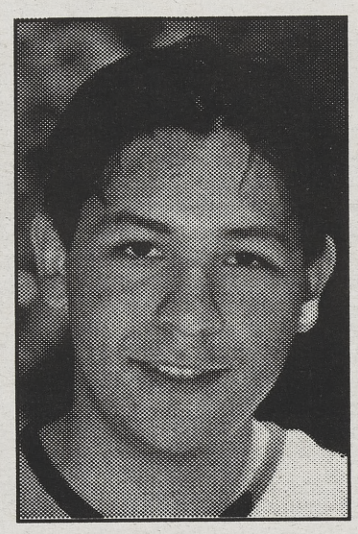

Saul Corrales

It is a very important part of our community. Lambda is a very positive part of the gay community, because of all the great things it provides for all.

Linda Corrigan

The Lambda Center embodies the true meaning of community to me. The currently running programs and opportunity it provides are essential to the growth of our gay and lesbian population in Sacramento. Keep it growing.

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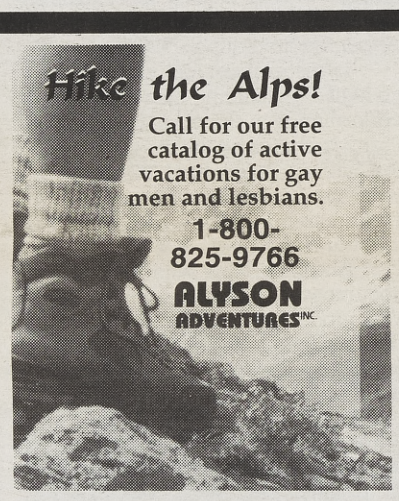

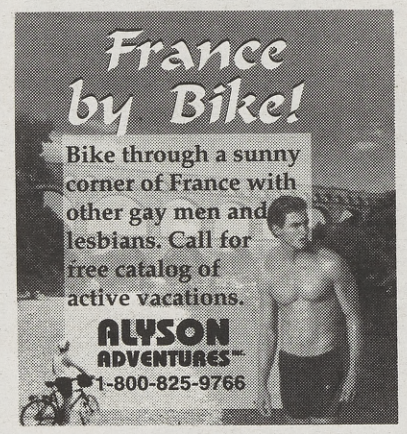
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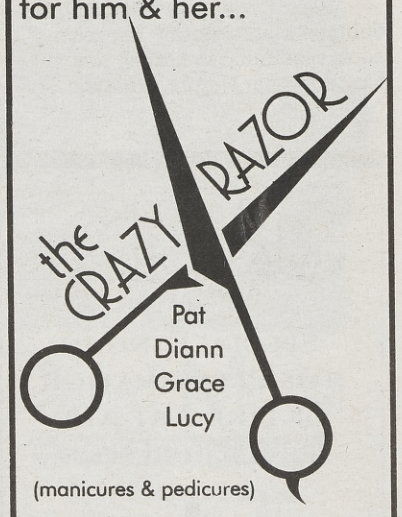

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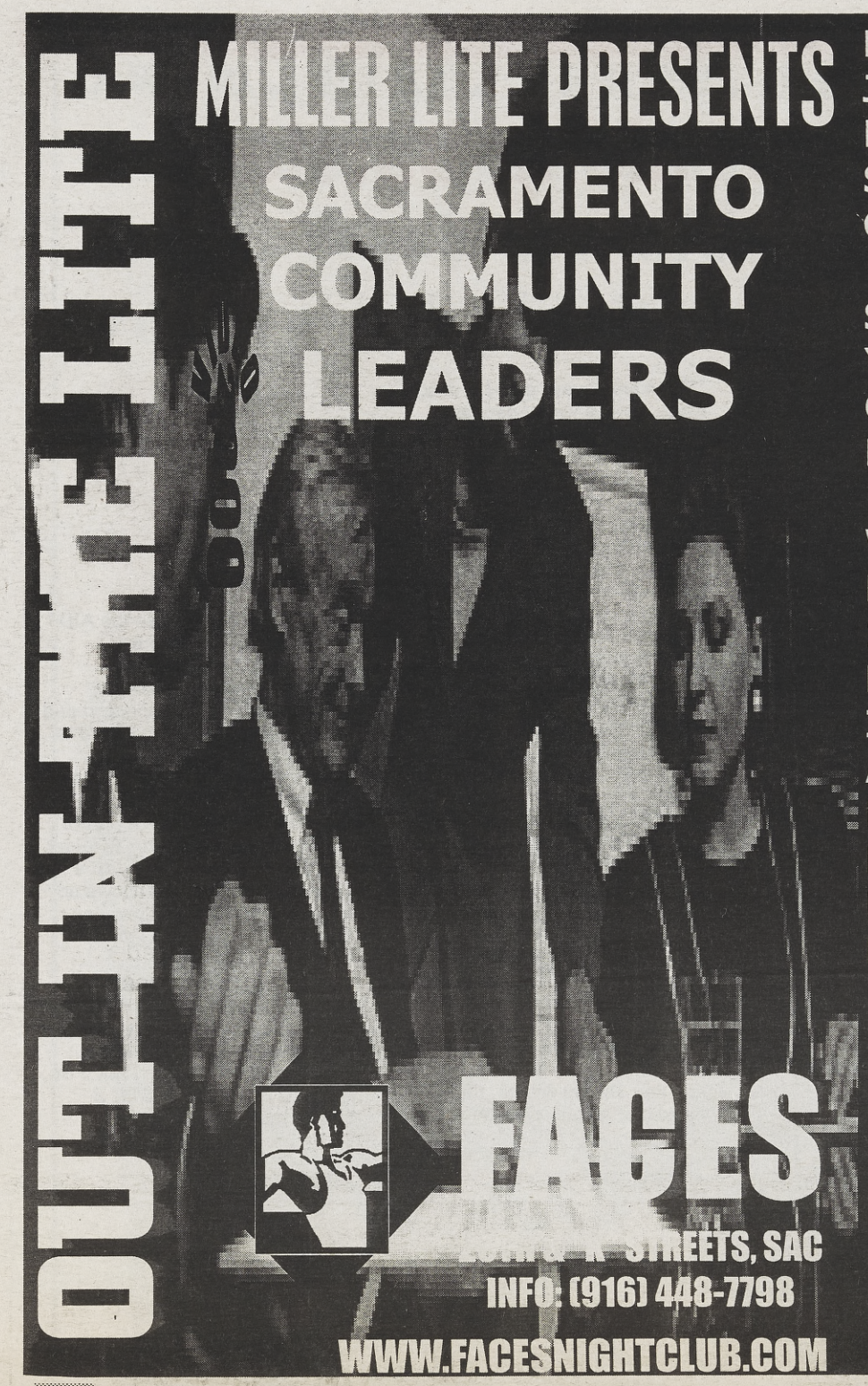

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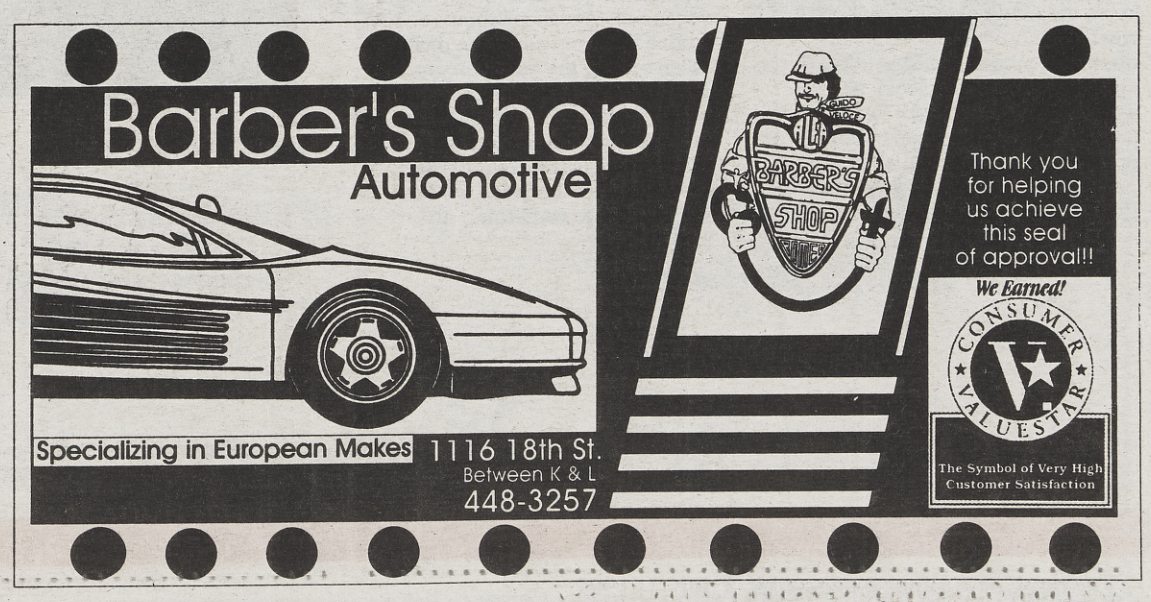
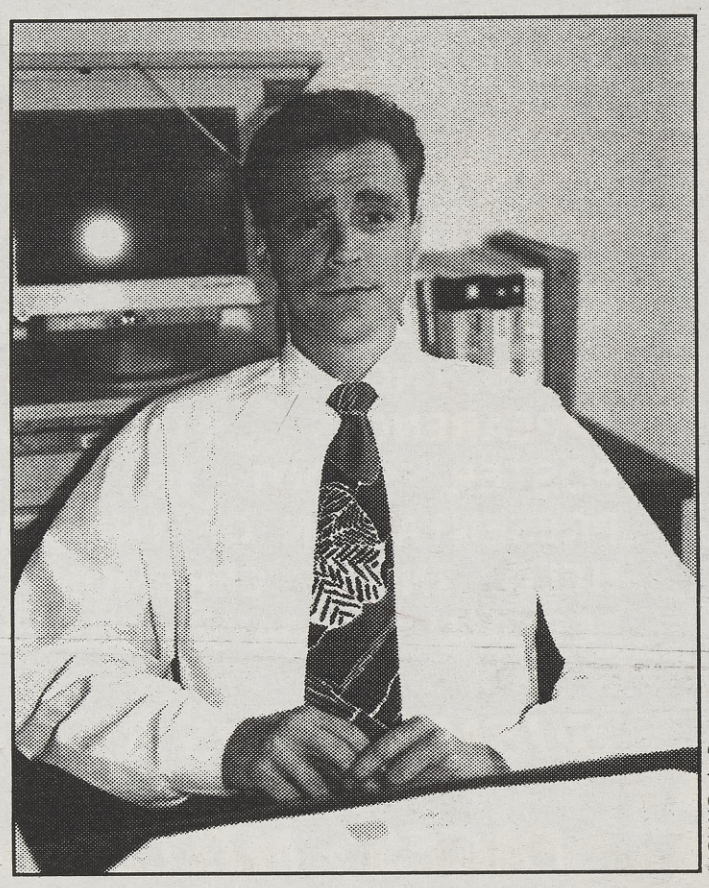


The Time Is Now For Breaking Barriers

By M. Burlingame-Couk
MGW/Staff

U.S. statistics estimate that of every 100 men and 800 women, one man and one woman carry the HIV Virus. As many as 6,000 of those are Sacramentans.

Prompted by the success of a one day project promoting HIV testing among the homeless, and concerns about funding cuts to local AIDS services, the Sacramento Area Consortium began writing a proposal to form an organization that would serve the HIV/AIDS community of Sacramento. In 1995 the River City Metropolitan Community Church accepted the Consortium's proposal and turned to John Rambo, former head of the Lambda Center's AIDS project, to bring focus to the rough outline that would become Breaking Barriers.



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John Rambo, Director of Breaking Barriers

Rambo's first task was setting up a comprehensive program of services that would eventually include bulk food delivery from established food programs; household helpers; peer counselors (including HIV+ counselors); One 2 One companions and Transit Partners which would provide transportation to and from important appointments. The program would also provide supportive services to other Sacramento County HIV/AIDS services. All programs would be available to any Sacramento County Resident who could provide a proof of diagnosis and demonstrated financial or physical need.

Every service offered would be performed by volunteers. If for some reason a volunteer must cancel a task, one of the staff, which are also mostly volunteers, would fill in where possible to meet any assignments that absolutely need to be met.

"Most of our volunteers are students, retirees and people who only work part time. Their motivation varies from loss of a loved one to the desire to help improve their community. Most people think it's a complicated, demanding schedule, but it's not. Half an hour a week is not that much to most people, but it can be a tremendous gift to those who turn to Breaking Barriers for help."

As Breaking Barriers rounds the half way point into their second year, they find themselves attempting to meet the demands of a steadily increasing clientele. "With five to ten new clients every month, volunteers are needed now more than ever." Rambo quickly adds: "I don't think [the rising number of clientele] has anything to do with the rise in the number of new cases, but because we're so young, people are just starting to find out that we're here."

The bulk of available funding trickles down from various Federal funds including the Ryan White Care Act, Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Wells Fargo Foundation. Funding has greatly approved under the Clinton administration, but the problem remains that the greatest amount of funds are being used to pay for the creation of ridiculously expensive treatment programs. This takes the funds away from the social service agencies whose primary function is trying to meet the needs of those who don't have the financial ability to participate in the medical programs the funding is being used to operate.

On May 20th the CARES (Center for AIDS Research Education and Services) Project presented it's yearly community information meeting, Firing Line, to discuss current breakthroughs in HIV/AIDS treatments. "It's all exciting news," says Rambo. But he goes on to point out: "I think the release of results are often done over-zealously, done before the studies have a chance to examine the long term effects. I remember when AZT came out and how everyone thought it was going to be a miracle drug. The new breakthroughs and things of that nature haven't been around long enough to tell if they're going to be effective in the long term. Also the treatments are very expensive. They're only available to the wealthy and those who are able to find their way through the cracks into specialized programs. Meanwhile their are thousands who even if they could get to the treatments, couldn't manage to keep on any sort of program (i.e. Homeless, I.V. drug users, etc.)."

The clientele range from those who have just tested positive for the virus to those in their first stages of full blown AIDS. As the disease takes on it's final form, clients are referred to other organizations better suited to meet their new needs such as the Sacramento AIDS Foundation. The final stage sometimes happens so quickly it's only a few weeks before a once vibrant client is gone. "[When someone dies] it doesn't make me question my commitment. We accept the death is a part of working here. What we can't accept," Rambo states adamantly, "is the poverty that people live in - because we can and should do something about that."

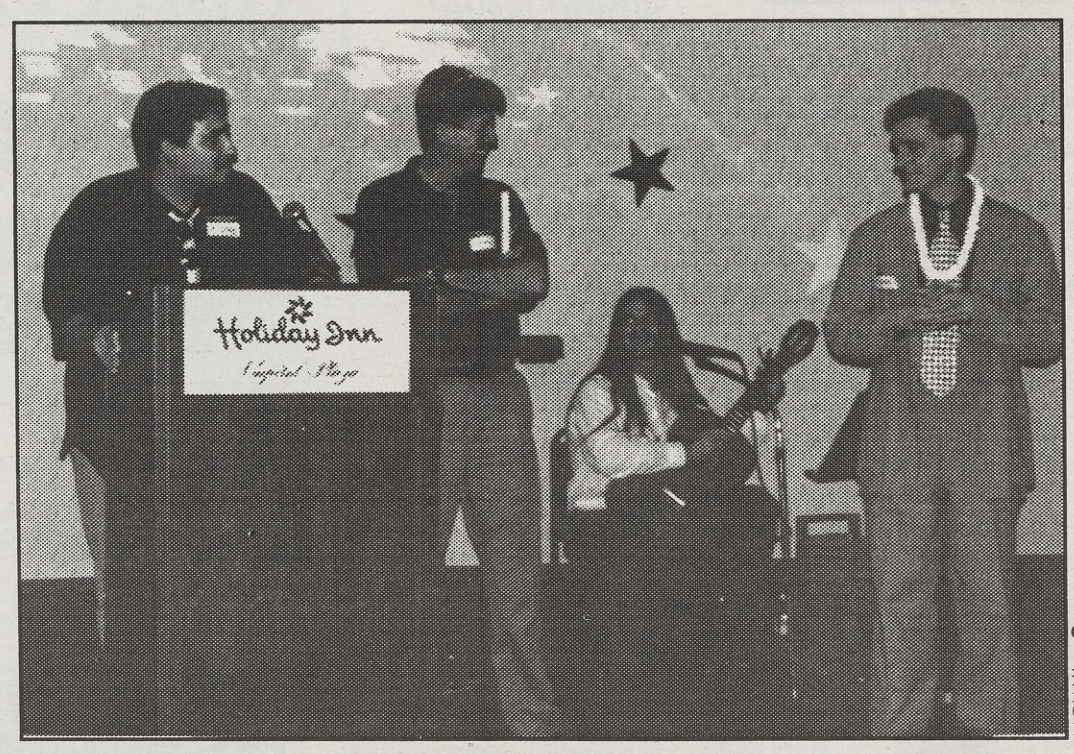
For the past few years the focus of AIDS awareness advertising has turned away from the gay community and I.V. drug users and aimed solely at mainstream suburban America. Now, as the number of those infected with HIV in the gay community are again rising, the message of prevention is once again being turned back to it's original targets. "It never should have been stopped in the first place," Rambo states flatly.

"There are always new I.V. drug users, always young people coming out. Education needs to be pervasive and across the board." Another problem Rambo finds fault with is the way HIV prevention is being taught. "People don't make permanent behavior change because of fear. Los Angeles learned that and are using a program that teaches not to be safe because of a fear of dying, but to be safe because of the love of life."

Eventually Rambo would like to see Breaking Barriers expand beyond HIV services to encompass that are of importance to the community at large. Issues that include Breast Cancer, generalized support and referral services and helping transport those coming off welfare to job interviews and meeting their child care needs. "I have a vision of Breaking Barriers becoming an all encompassing service agency, but always remaining volunteer driven. People willing to donate their time for the good of others are, and always will be, the backbone of this organization."

Two years into the AIDS epidemic, people have the tendency to become very complacent about HIV/AIDS. They listen to sensationalized and misleading reports that a cure is just around the corner and let themselves become oblivious to the tremendous need that's still out there. HIV/AIDS is a part of life now and we sometimes forget that we are still dealing with a plague. A Plague that shows no real signs of slowing down any time soon.

Volunteers and donations for Breaking Barriers are desperately needed. You can help by contacting Breaking Barriers at 447-AIDS, 1722 J St., Suite 321, Sac CA 95814, E-MAIL: mcaids@ncal.net



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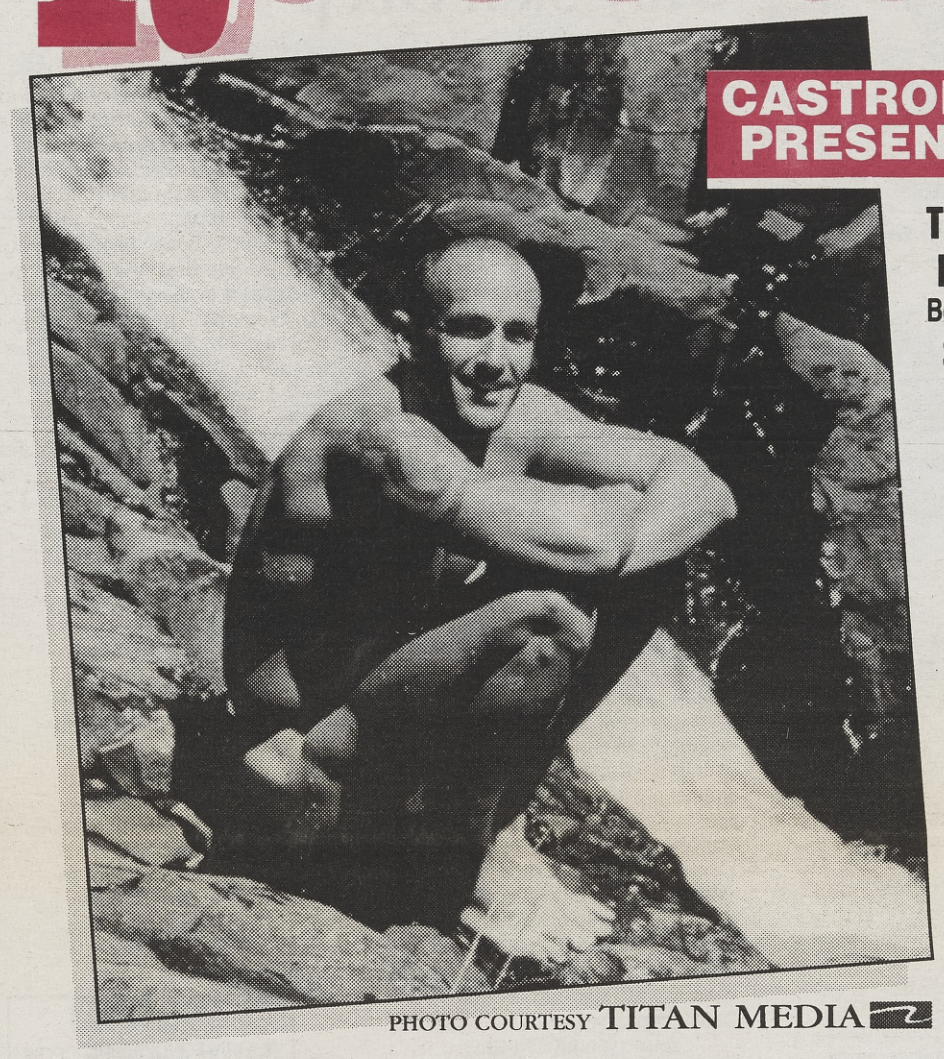

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Hits, Misses at SF Lesbian & Gay Film Festival

by Stefan Grunwedel
MGW/Staff

Already into the first few days of the 21st San Francisco International Lesbian & Gay Film Festival, it was clear that people were loving every moment of it. Next to the Castro Theater, the festival's pavilion (a large outdoor tent sporting free hook-ups to the World Wide Web) hosted great parties with fantastic food and lively crowds, despite the cold summer winds that occasionally came over Twin Peaks and blasted the Castro.

From all reports, the crowds were not only selling out the Castro, Roxie, and Victoria venues, but making all visiting filmmakers feel particularly welcome. According to the official buzz, the Castro audiences were far superior to those at festivals in Los Angeles or New York.

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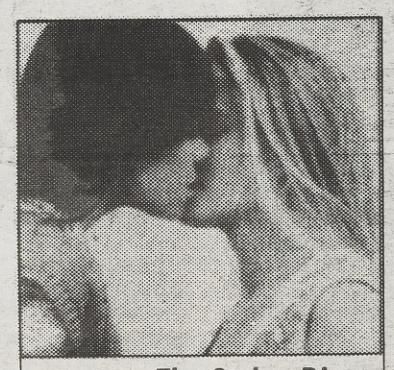

The Stolen Diary

Among the favorites were the opening night's "I Think I Do," a screwball comedy set around a college reunion, where every possible complication arises.

Also generally well-received were the two programs of shorts, "Fun in Boys' Shorts" and "Fun in Girls' Shorts." For

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Only Skin Deep

by Stefan Grunwedel
MGW/Staff

Pillow Book. Starring Vivian Wu, Ewan McGregor, and Yoshi Oida. Directed by Peter Greenaway. (126 min.)
If you seek solace from the bumper crop of mind-numbing blockbuster spectacles this summer, there can be no better film to recommend for the inquisitive mind than Peter Greenaway's "The Pillow Book." Peter Greenaway's films are not for everyone. "The Cook, the Thief, His Wife, and Her Lover," for instance, was not particularly easy to sit through, much less enjoy. However, "The Pillow Book" is as fascinating and beautiful as it is haunting and disturbing. It also features the most stylish subtitles.

"The Pillow Book" tells the story of a Japanese girl, Nagiko Kiohara (Wu). On each of her birthdays, her father — a calligrapher and writer — paints a traditional birthday greeting on her face, and her aunt reads to her from the Japanese classic, "The Pillow Book," a collection of reminiscences, lists, literary quotes, and amorous adventures written by Sei Shonagon, an aristocratic lady-in-waiting who lived during the end of the Tenth century.

Young Nagiko's aunt persuades her to keep her own pillow book. When she's an adult, events conspire to make Nagiko become obsessed with Sei Shonagon's work. Escaping a loveless marriage, she moves to Hong Kong, where she attempts to preserve the memories of her birthday face paintings.

Nagiko seeks out calligrapher-lovers, whom she invites to paint her body. Eventually she meets Jerome (McGregor), an English translator working in Hong Kong. Not a great calligrapher, he convinces her to write on his body instead, an idea that entertains her with notion of writing her own book on the bodies of others. As the lover of both Nagiko and her intended publisher (Yoshi Oida), Jerome becomes a critical player in their lives, paying a grisly price to satisfy both.

"The Pillow Book" is a mesmerizing tale that interweaves obsession, betrayal, revenge, blackmail, and honor in beautiful fashion. To unveil this intricate story, Greenaway uses the movie screen to full effect. It's almost a multimedia event, as inset images, calligraphic backdrops, changing screen sizes, color, and black and white take on their own importance and roles in the storytelling. If the story's presentation is beautiful on screen, so are its costars. Wu and McGregor are particularly striking in this film.

Their lovemaking is sensual and exhilarating. Just as important, the intimacy between Jerome and the publisher is honestly portrayed. Jerome's bisexuality isn't even an issue; it's just a fact of life that makes the story deliciously complex.

"The Pillow Book" plays at Landmark's Tower Theatre.▼

once, the series of short, often experimental films were not just original, but also well made.

Less exciting, however, was "Latin Boys Go to Hell," whose heavy publicity hype should have warned folks of what was to come. Sure, most men in the audience were drawn there by the sultry Latino stud on the poster (and perhaps the tie-in dance party later that night at oh-so-famous Club Universe), but what they got was a hellish mixture of bad acting, lousy story, and ridiculous soundtrack. Incredible as it may seem, it's apparently to be released later this summer. As this is being written before the festival is even half over, it's impossible to pass final judgment on the entire festival.

Suffice it to say, Sacramento's own queer film festival later this summer will undoubtedly attempt to bring many of the finer films to the Central Valley that screened in the Bay Area this week. Watch out for it.▼

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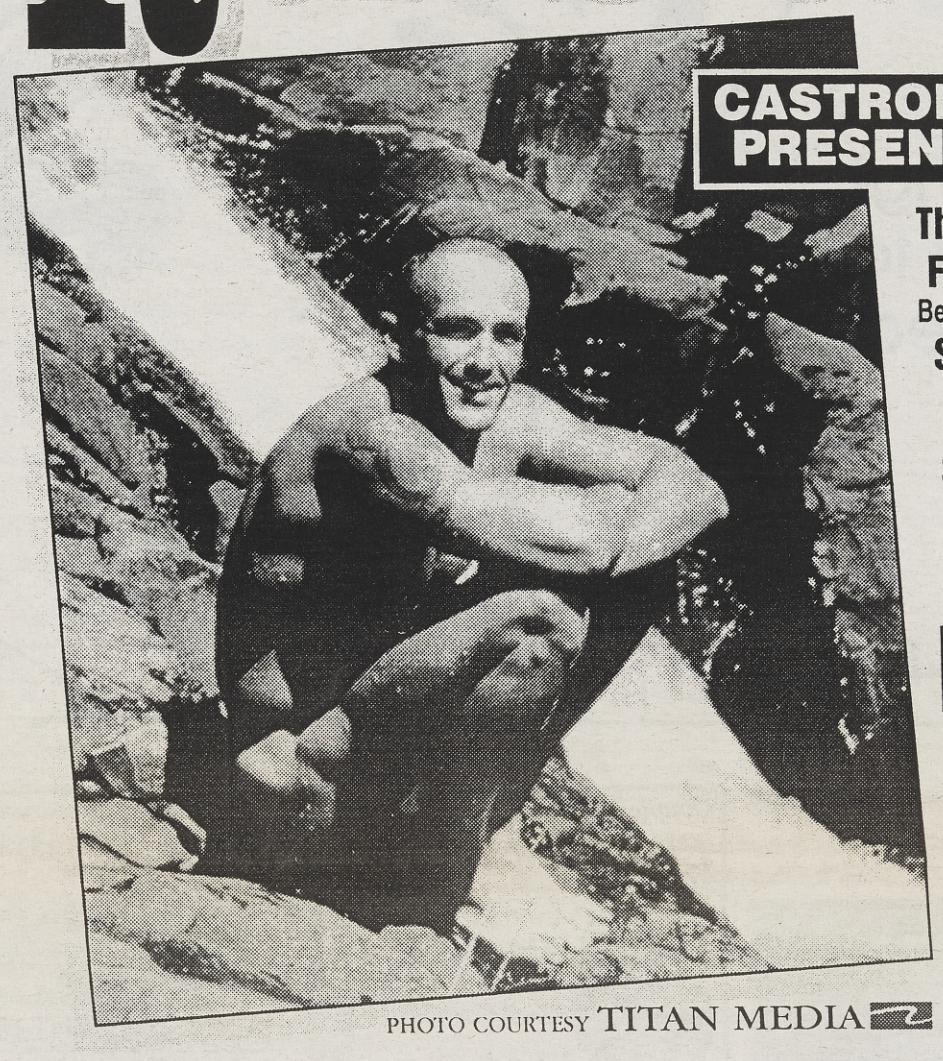

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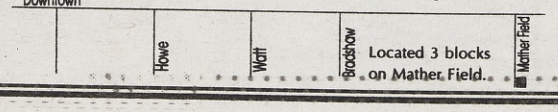

Dog Gone Newsletter Shares Info on Our Kids

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Leslie Wimmer, Los Angeles, CA

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Jody Canady, Tucson, AZ

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: Another alternative is to dial housekeeping on the room phone to arrange for the room to be cleaned at a specific time, when you will take your dog on a walk or an outing.

INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

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Julie Defler, Washington, DC

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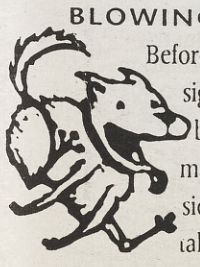

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Jo Stephens, Harpers Ferry, WV

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JoAnn Hostin, Reseda, CA

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On the HIV front...

by Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Morning-after treatment...

The use of AIDS drugs, such as protease inhibitors, as a "morning after" treatment to prevent transmission of the disease is controversial. Similar treatments (with immediate doses of AZT) have been shown to reduce the risk of acquiring HIV from accidental needlesticks. But the cost of the protease drugs, the side effects they can cause, and the fear that morning-after treatments could encourage people to engage in risky behavior have some experts concerned. Conversely, the drugs could also save lives and might help get people who need behavioral counseling into a medical setting. ▼

NAMES benefits...

*The Summer Solstice and Skivvies benefit at the Wreck Room last month was a resounding success. The auction raised $650, which will be directed toward bringing the Quilt to Sacramento for December World AIDS Day events. (Those who have been considering making a memorial panel for submission on World AIDS Day may call the Chapter's panelmaking workshop for information — 484-4164.)

*The date of the Bolt fundraiser for the NAMES Project-Sacramento Chapter has been moved to September 13. Mark your calendars! ▼

Privacy vs. public health...

Upcoming legislative proposals, such as Rep. Tom Coburn's (R-Okla) HIV Prevention Act of 1997, is likely to escalate the long-standing debate about AIDS, testing, and privacy. In the *Atlantic Monthly*, author Chandler Burr says that, out of concern for civil rights, HIV and AIDS have largely been exempted from the normal standards of handling epidemics. Since the beginning of the epidemic, he says, there has been virtuallly a suspension of the standard public-health practices for AIDS, including no routine HIV testing, varying reporting of HIV-infected individuals, and limited contact tracing and notification of partners, due in large part to activists who insist on confidentiality for those with HIV. ▼

Protocol for assisted suicide...

As the Supreme Court considers whether or not physician-assisted suicide should be made legal, doctors have begun discussing how their profession should govern the practice.

A number of medical ethics committees in San Francisco — where more half of the doctors have helped someone die according to one survey — published the first formal protocol for "hastened death" in the June issue of *Western Journal of Medicine*. It marks the first time a medical community has reached consensus on the highly controversial issue. The proposed regulations call for a 48-hour waiting period, a patient consent form, and a "physician checklist." The checklist would require the physician to confirm that the patien is mentally competent, is terminally ill and expected to die within six months, and has been provided with proper pain-relief treatments. The checklist would also ask the doctor to insure that the patient's choice has been "freely made," and not influenced by outside factors. Critics of physician-assisted suicide say such guidelines are useless and cannot address the wide spectrum of scenarios in which assisted-suicide might come into play. ▼

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AIDS Day of Compassion...

June 20 marked the fifth annual Day of Compassion, a media event to show support for those living with HIV and AIDS. Last year's event generated more than 80,000 calls to the National AIDS hotline. This year, Internet providers America Online, Prodigy, CompuServe, and others joined TV shows such as Oprah!, The Rosie O'Donnell Show, Geraldo, and the soap operas. Cable networks including the American Movie Channel, the Cartoon Network, Playboy Television, the Food Network, Showtime, and Univision also participated. Day of Compassion was launched in 1993 by actor Neil Tadken who, inspired by an AIDS-related episod on a soap opera, began calling other daytime soaps, urging them to participate in a day of portraying compassion to people with AIDS. ▼

Safe-sex campaign begun by Kremlin...

Following a nearly 80 percent increase in HIV infections in Russia in the first five months of 1997, the Kremlin unveiled last month a new safe-sex advertising campaign that will feature the slogan "Safe sex, My choice" on TV, buses, and billboards. The country's chief specialist at the Health Ministry's AIDS prevention department estimates the actual number of cases is perhaps triple the number reported. "The outlook is extremely pessimistic," he said. "HIV infection is a problem of national security for Russia." ▼

Comments sought on two new reports...

The Department of Health and Human Services is requesting comments from all interested parties on two documents — "Report of the NIH Panel to Define Principles of Therapy of HIV Infection" and "Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-Infected Adults and Adolescents." The first document describes 11 scientific principles that define the basic HIV rationale for guiding therapeutic decisions. The guidelines document contains recommendations for practitioners, and covers methods for testing to establish HIV infection, considerations on when to initiate therapy, methods for and frequency of monitoring the effectiveness of therapy, considerations for therapy in HIV-infected pregnant women, and other topics. Copies are available from the National AIDS Clearinghouse (1-800-458-5231) or their Web site (http:/www.cdcnac.org), and from the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (1-800-448-0440; Fax: 301-519-6616; TTY: 1-800-243-7012) or their Web site (http:/www.hivatis.org).

Written comments must be submitted before July 21, 1997 to: The HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service, P.O. Box 6303, Rockville, MD 20849-6303. ▼

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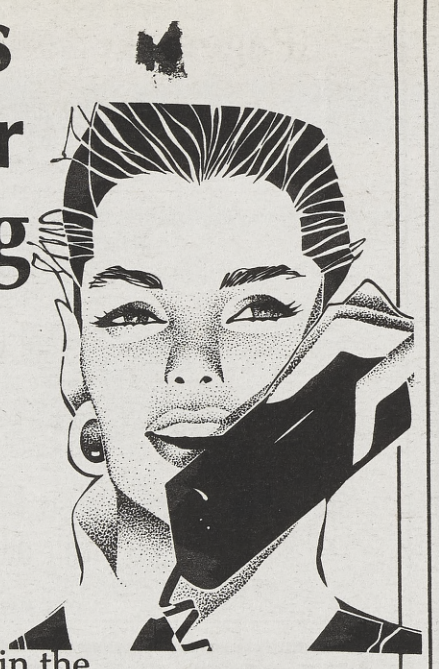

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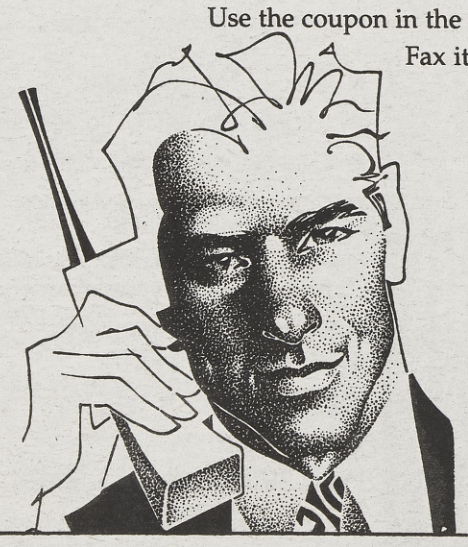

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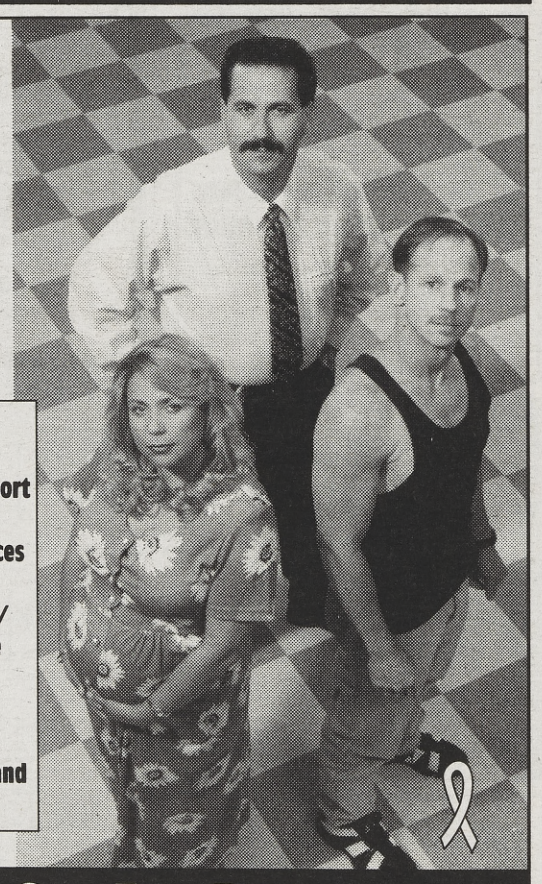

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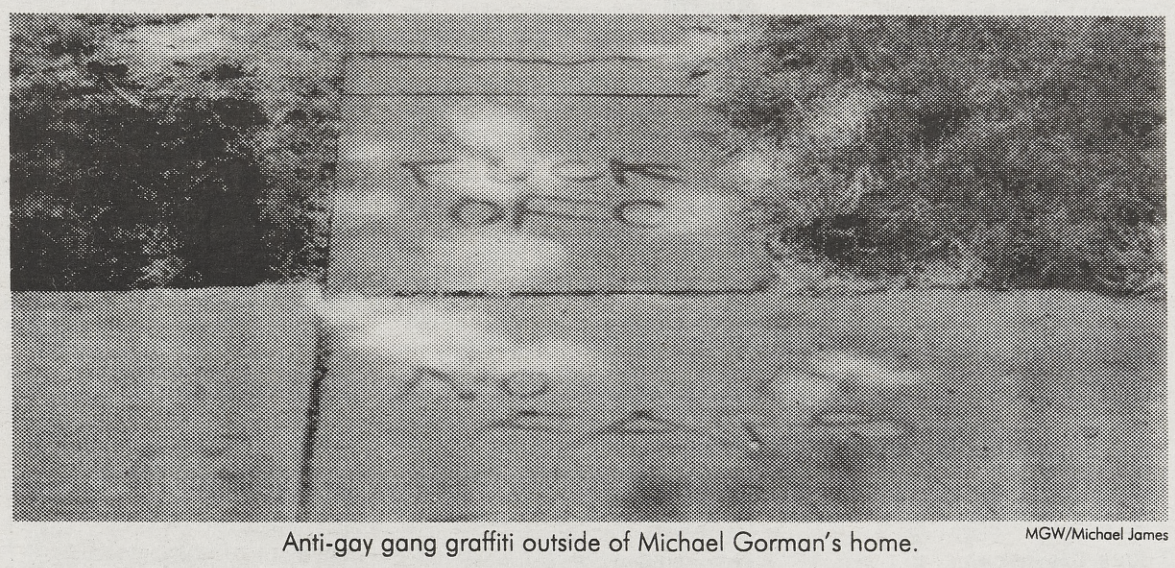
Anti-Gay Gang Graffiti In "Lavender Heights"

By Michael James
MGW/Staff

On the morning of June 12th, Michael Gorman walked out of his D Street home to find anti-gay gang graffiti scrawled along the sidewalk. Responding to the incident was Community Officer Paulda and David Jenet, the director of Citizen's Community Watch, a local watch dog organization that works in cooperation with sworn police officers to curb crime in the downtown area. The tags took Gorman by surprise, especially living in the Lavender Heights area where the presence of gays and lesbians is constant. Instead of crying from rage and fear, Gorman pointed out -- "They can't even spell faggot right." (Referring to the tag One Faget Crew Iz Wack.)

The remaining graffiti included the tag JFK (Just Fucking Kriminals, the tagging gang's moniker), Fuck OFC (Out of Fucking Control, another group of taggers that is known in the downtown area, tagging the Hartley House last year), Let's Battle and No Fags. The anti-gay language made it possible for this crime to be documented as a hate crime instead of just another case of vandalism.



Anti-gay gang graffiti outside of Michael Gorman's home. MGW/Michael James

Jenet pointed out the "challenge" supposedly being issued to OFC by JFK, both group's tags appear throughout the downtown area. Tags are used to mark turf, issue warnings, and instill fear. "These are just cowards," Jenet said at the scene. Most taggers use intimidation, although their are groups, such as the skin head gangs, that follow up their threats with action. Living in "Lavender Heights" is not an insulation from hate crimes - whether they be in the form of graffiti, slurs shouted from passing cars, or physical attacks. When a hate crime does occur it is important to know who to call and what to do, especially if it is a violent attack. A call to the police is the obvious first step. A new hotline has also been established, The Gay and Lesbian Victims' Assistance Hotline, which provides a source of information and documentation. This 24 hour hotline can be reached by calling (800)259-1536.

The Zone's Marshall Phillips Responds

Deborah Lattimore,
MGW/Staff

Angry email and a rallying cry awaited many lesbians on Tuesday morning, June 17th, in response to Marshall Phillips' morning radio show on "the Zone," 100.5. Phillips was reporting on the status of Ellen DeGeneres' relationship with Anne Heche. Supposedly, as Phillips stated, Anne was seeing an old boyfriend behind Ellen's back, and Anne was "getting the real thing on the side." For days, the air waves were filled with complaints to the Zone, and email was hot and heavy.

Phillips has told MGW that as he remembers it, the source of his information came off the Internet, "perhaps from the National Enquirer." When asked if he was citing his source or "getting the real thing on the side" was an original quotation, Phillips said, "I thought I said it was a quote, but I honestly don't remember. I apologize if I offended." ▼

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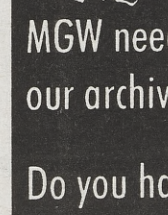

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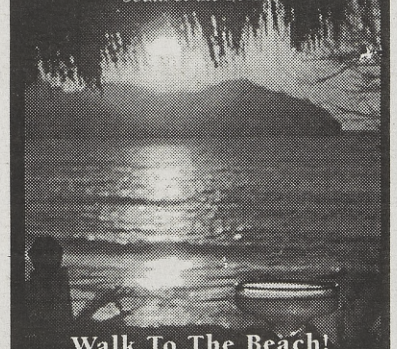

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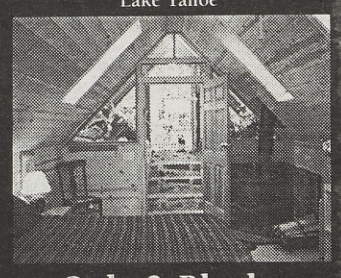

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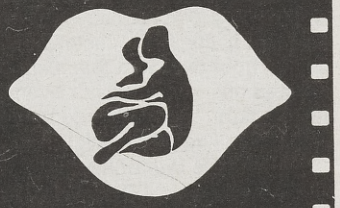

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SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
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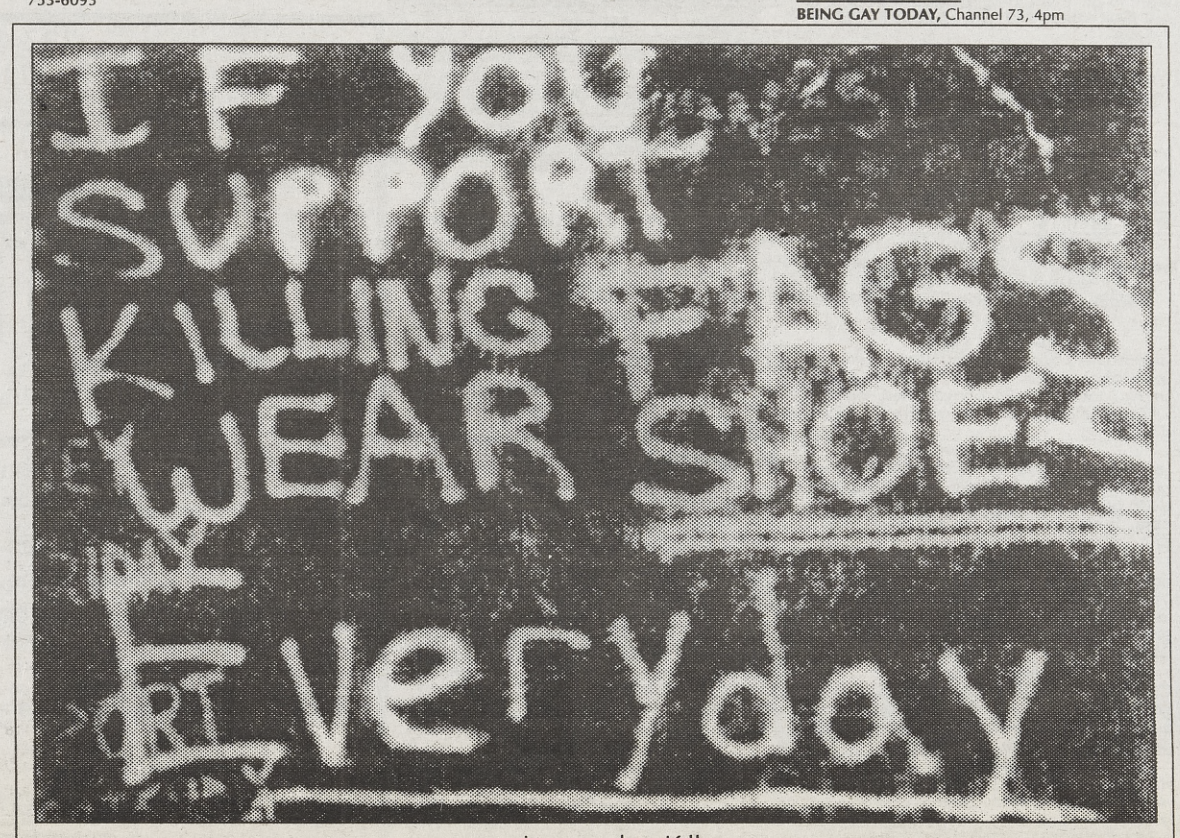

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KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411

29 TUESDAY
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847

30 WEDNESDAY
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
7pm, Lioness Books 2224 J St., 944-DYKE

31 THURSDAY
BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10pm

AUGUST

1 FRIDAY
AMADOR COUNTY FAIR GRAPE GROWERS' WINETASTING
Amador County Fairgrounds, Plymouth, 209/245-6942
BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 4pm

2 SATURDAY
BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10am
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
Guy West Bridge, 9am, 974-8199

3 SUNDAY
FRIENDSHIP DAY
ASIAN PACIFIC SISTERHOOD MEETING
753-6093
FACES PRESENTS:
5pm, T-Dance, BBQ, Coast to Coast Karaoke, Prizes, 2000 K St., 448-7798

4 MONDAY
KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411

5 TUESDAY
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847

6 WEDNESDAY
GOOD VIBRATION BERKELEY PRESENTS:
8pm, Erotic Photography, 2504 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, 510/841-8987
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
VALLEY BEARS MEETING
Wreck Room 2513 Broadway, 7pm, 535-5050
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
7pm, Lioness Books 2224 J St., 944-DYKE

7 THURSDAY
BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10pm
LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP
Auburn's DeWitt Center, 7pm, 632-7080

8 FRIDAY
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 4pm
ST JOHN HEALING CIRCLE
Sponsored By OASIS to give support to HIV AIDS issues, Church of St. John the Evangelist 1661 15th St. S.F., 415/861-1436

9 SATURDAY
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 10am
GLS, Bike & Brunch, 731-5015
RUSSIAN RIVER CRAFT FAIR
Guerneville, 865-1140
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
Guy West Bridge, 9am, 974-8199

10 SUNDAY
FACES PRESENTS:
5pm, T-Dance, BBQ, Coast to Coast Karaoke, Prizes, 2000 K St., 448-7798

11 MONDAY
KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411

12 TUESDAY
GOOD VIBRATIONS S.F. PRESENTS:
8pm, Erotic Reading Circle, 1210 Valencia at 23rd, S.F., 415/974-8980
MICHIGAN WOMYN'S MUSIC FESTIVAL
12 - 17, 616/7574766
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847

13 WEDNESDAY
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
7pm, Lioness Books 2224 J St., 944-DYKE

14 THURSDAY
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 10pm
GOOD VIBRATION BERKELEY PRESENTS:
8pm, Real Live Nude Girl Book Signing, 2504 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, 510/841-8987

15 FRIDAY
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 4pm

16 SATURDAY
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
Guy West Bridge, 9am, 974-8199
SAVE THE CENTER FUNDRAISER
8pm - 2pm, 1516 Del Paso Blvd., 444-9624

17 SUNDAY
ASIAN PACIFIC SISTERHOOD MEETING
753-6093
FACES PRESENTS:
5pm, T-Dance, BBQ, Coast to Coast Karaoke, Prizes, 2000 K St., 448-7798

18 MONDAY
KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411

19 TUESDAY
GOOD VIBRATION BERKELEY PRESENTS:
8pm, Toys For Men, 2504 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, 510/841-8987
PFLAG MEETING
7:30pm, St. Mark's Church, 2391 St. Mark's Way, 863-9612
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847

20 WEDNESDAY
LGBA MEETING
Carrows on 10th & S St., 863-9733
RACE DAY FOR THE ARTS
263-4047
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
7pm, Lioness Books 2224 J St., 944-DYKE

21 THURSDAY
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 10pm
"BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES"
21 - 23, G/L Medical Assoc., 459 Fulton St., S.F., 415/255-4547
GOOD VIBRATIONS S.F. PRESENTS:
8pm, Bedtime Stories, 1210 Valencia at 23rd, S.F., 415/974-8980

22 FRIDAY
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 4pm

23 SATURDAY
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 10am
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
Guy West Bridge, 9am, 974-8199
ZUCCHINI FEST & CAR RACES
9am - 12pm, West Plaza Parking Lot, Healdsburg, 431-1956

24 SUNDAY
FACES PRESENTS:
5pm, T-Dance, BBQ, Coast to Coast Karaoke, Prizes, 2000 K St., 448-7798

25 MONDAY
KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411
TEAM MANAGEMENT SEMINAR
25 - 29, at G/L Journalists Convention, Chicago, 510/891-9202

26 TUESDAY
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847

27 WEDNESDAY
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP

THEATRE/DANCE

THE B-STREET THEATER, *Letters To Declan: A Father At Five,*thru Jun. 8; *Disgruntled Employees* opens Aug. 17; 2711 B St., 443-5300

FAIR OAKS OPERA, *The Beggar's Opera,* June 20 - July 27, 966-3683

GARBEAU'S DINNER THEATRE, *A Day In Hollywood, A Night In The Ukraine,* thru Jul. 6, *Murder Among Friends,* Jul. 11 - Sep. 14, *Forever Plaid,* Sept. 19 - Nov 23, *The 1940's Radio Hour,* Nov. 28 - Jan 11, 1998, 12401 Folsom Blvd, Rancho Cordova, 985-6361

JOSIE'S CABARET & JUICE JOINT, *The Two-Bit Tango,* June 4 - 29, 3583 16th St., S.F., 415/861-7933

RIVER STAGE, *Fresh Off The Boat,* Jul. 10 - 27; Consumes River College, 688-7364

SACRAMENTO LIGHT OPERA ASSOCIATION, *The Phantom Of The Opera,* Jun. 17 - 22; *Will Rogers Follies,* Jul. 7 - 13; *The Desert Song,* Jul. 14 - 20; *Can-Can,* Jul. 21 - 27; *Oliver!,* Jul. 28 - Aug. 3; *Damn Yankees,* Aug. 4 - 10; *My Fair Lady,* Aug 11 - 17; *Oklahoma!,* Aug. 18 - 24, Music Circus 1419 H St., 557-1999.

SACRAMENTO REPERTORY THEATRE, *Hunter* Jun 20-Jul 26, 5101 Lawrence Dr., 457-8827.

SACRAMENTO THEATRE COMPANY, *Orphans,* thru Jun. 8 at Stage Two; *Burning Patience,* thru Jun. 8 at McClatchy Mainstage. 443-6722

SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK, Summer 1997, San Francisco, 800/978-PLAY

THEATRE ON THE SQUARE, *Freak* starring John Leguizamo, thru June 1, 450 Post St. Floor 2, S.F., 415/433-9500

THEATRE RHINOCEROS, *Up Jumped Springtime,* thru June 22, 2926 16 St., S.F., 415/861-5079

THE THISTLE DEW THEATRE, Blue Regrets, thru June 7, 1901 P St., 443-5952

WOODLAND OPERA HOUSE, *The Sisters Rosenweig,* June 6 - 28, *Tintypes,* Sept 5 - 27; *Little Mary Sunshine,* Oct 10 - 19, *Much Ado About Nothing,* Nov 7 - 29; *The Best Christmas Pagent Ever,* Dec. 12 - 21, *Steel Magnolias,* Jan. 30 - Feb. 21, 1998; *West Side Story,* Mar. 20 - Apr. 11, 1998; *The Sensuous Senator,* May 15 - Jun. 6, 1998, 666-9618

ART GALLERIES

BIG ART, *Joy* Kathy Fenker, *Sinner* Jeff Ringer thru June 6, Six on Six: Black On White, June 11 - July 4, 1928 L St., 446-2740
BRIDGE GALLERY, Out, Loud & Proud, thru July 8, 689 Bryant St. S.F., 415/267-1866
CALIF. PALACE OF THE LEGION OF HONOR, John Martin: *Vision of the Biblical Flood* thru Aug. 3, *Roy Lichtenstein Prints/Anderson Collection,* thru Oct. 19; *Nathan Oliveira Monotypes,* Jun. 14, *Artists Prints, Crown Prints Press,* Oct. 4 - Jan 4, 1998; 34th Ave. & Clement St., San Francisco, 415/863-3330.
CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY ART, *Retrospect of Laureen Landau,* thru Jun. 14; New Work by Nadada, Sept. 13 - Oct. 11, 1516 Del Paso Blvd., 444-9624
CROCKER ART MUSEUM, *"Netsuke! Form and Fashion from Edo Japan",* thru July 6; 216 O St., 264-5423.
DE YOUNG MUSEUM, *"If The Shoe Fits",* thru Jul. 13; *"Life and Afterlife in Ancient Peru: Treasures from the Museo Arqueologico",* Rafael Larco Herrera, thru Aug.; *Jeffrey Appleby Collection of Andean Textiles,* Jun. 21 - Aug. 10, *"Art Of The Americas: Identity Crisis",* Jul. 26 - Nov. 16; *"Masters Of Light: Dutch Paintings from Utrecht in the Golden Age",* Sep. 13 - Nov 30; *Morgan Flagg Collection,* Oct. 18 - Jan. *1998: "Art Of The Americas: Art and Ethnography",* Dec 6 - Mar. 1998; *Treasures of the Tervuren Museum,* Feb. 21, 1998 - Apr. 31, 1998; *John Stuart Curry: "Invading the Middle West",* Jun 13, 1998 - Aug. 30, 1998; *"The Wealth of the Thracians",* Aug. 8, 1998 - Oct. 11, 1998, 75 Tea Garden Dr. S.F., 415/750-3614
SOLOMON DUBNICK GALLERY, Ceramics by Tony Natsoulas, Paintings & Ceramics by Maija Peeples, Jun. 4 - 28; Introductions 1997, Jul 3 - Aug. 2; *California Landscape":* Paintings by Alan Post, Craig Smith & Larry Welden, Aug 8 - 31; Don Reich Retrospective, Sept 3 - 29; Print Drawing & Sculpture by Cecilia Calmes; New Works by Gary Pruner, Nov. 6 - 29, 1997, New Works by Irving Marcus, Jan. 8 - 31, 1998; New works by Jack Ogden, Feb. 4 - 28, 1998, 2131 Northrop Ave., 920-4547
GALERIA DE LA RAZA, *Home Grown: The Fields Of Califas,* thru Jun 21, *UFW/Strawberry Fields Exhibition (title TBD),* thru Jun. 14; *Isis Rodriguez: "My Life As A Comic Stripper",* Jun 24 - Aug. 9, *Alex Donis: "My Cathedral",* Aug. 19 - Sept. 27; *"Dia de los Muertos",* Oct. 7 - Nov. 8; *"Bazaar Navideno",* Nov. - Dec. 24, Studio 24 2857 24th St., S.F., 425/826-8009
MICHAEL HIMOVITZ GALLERY, *Breast Art: Empowerment after Mastectomy,* thru June 6, 1020 10th St., 448-8723
MATRIX GALLERY, Karen Balder, thru June 6, 1518 Del Paso Blvd., 923-9118
RICHARD L. NELSON GALLERY & FINE ARTS COLLECTION, Annual Master of Fine Arts Exhibitions, thru June 27, 124-125 Art Building U.C. Davis, 752-8500
THOMAS A. OLDHAM GALLERY, *Alderbrook* by Lynn Smith, *Ode to a Consonant* by D. L. Thomas, thru June 7; Ann Mueller, Lillie Wenzel, June 11 - July 3, 1729 L St., 444-9624
QUICKSILVER MINE CO., Jean Mooney Exhibit, thru June 29, 154 N. Main St. Sebastopol, 707/829-2416
SHENANDOAH GALLERY, Phyllis D. Earls, thru July 15, 12300 Steiner Rd., Plymouth, 209/245-4455
STILL LIFE GALLERY & GIFTS, Julie Higgins & Audi Stanton, thru June 14, 2231 "J" St., 446-6786
VIEWPOINT GALLERY, Mary Koga, thru June 30, 551 Sequoia Pacific Blvd., 441-2341

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MASTER CALENDAR

Gay Freedom Day Parade, S.F., **415/864-FREE,**	Jun. 28 - 29
Gay Freedom Day Celebration, L.A., **213/860-0701,**	Jun. 21 & 22
UFMCC General Conference, **Sydney, Australia,**	Jul. 20 - 25
California State Fair, 263-3000, **Aug 15 -**	Sep. 1
Rainbow Festival Street Fair, **448-7798,**	Aug. 31
Sacramento Capital AIDS Walk, **448-2437,**	Sep. 21
Folsom Street Fair, S.F., **415/861-3247,**	Sep. 28
Castro Street Fair, S.F., **415/467-3354,**	Oct. 5
National Coming Out Day,	Oct. 10
World AIDS Day,	Dec 1

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Announcements

Fishing
Women's Fishing Club now forming. Kim 454-2896 tfn

Bakersfield Gays Wanted
Do you know anyone in the Bakersfield area? I have a friend living there and she's desperate to find some lesbians and gay men to socialize with. Mary is 35, a business owner, into horses and lots of fun! Call me if you know any coupled or single people and I'll get them together. Linda Birner 916.441.6397

Traffic School
Finally a Gay & Lesbian Comedy Traffic School is now celebrating ten years of service to the community and we are dropping our price to $20 for a limited time. 1-800-Gay-4-You. 7/1

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Pets: Do you go to work with your mom or dad? Mom or Dad: MGW would like to feature you and your pet. 441-6397 tfn

Metaphysical GLBs
A fun, spiritual oriented group is now forming to support and create. Join Tom and Vicki. For info call 24hr UM@916-863-9226 8/1

HIV+ Men's Support Group
Our goal is to provide emotional support, share and have fun together. Call for dinner, if interested. Ron 684-4820

Employment

Market Research
Great Co. now hiring! Need additional income? Have time on your hands? Eves & Wknds avail. for market research. $6/hour to start. Call 443-4722. 8/1

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Environmental and health services looking for motivated, business minded individual to help develope and manage an expanding sales force. Training avail. For interview call Tihm Watson (office) 925-3051, (pager) 328-6555 7/1

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Looking for sharp minded individual to help expand our health consious company in Sac area. Training avail. Donald 921-0755 7/1

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Floral designer, part time, Blooming Art. Diane 442-3800 tfn

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Clean/quiet 2 bedroom apartments (1) unstairs w/ balcony, (1) downstairs w/ patio. 7 unit/small complex. W/D on complex, parking 2415 W Street, $475 per month. Call 731-8881. 7/1

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House for Rent
Carmichael -- 3/2 with pool, pool service, gardener, sunroom and family room. Near Sunrise Mall. Freeway access. 1st/last/dep.$900 per month. 967-6539 7/1

House For Rent
Huge 2Br., 1 bath, 2 story older house. Hard wood floors, A/C, dishwasher, freshly painted, fenced yard and off street parking. Approx. 1,700-2,000 sq. ft. $700, $500 deposit. Midtown area. 452-6386 tfn

Spacious 1&2 Bdrm. Apts.
Located in quiet residential neighborhood, secured building, parking, on-site laundry, convenient to RT stop, freeway, SC College. 2631 27th St. 457-8020 7/1

Apartments & Houses
Apartments and houses for rent, many in Midtown Sacramento. Come by our offices 24 hours a day for a list - 1808 Q St., Suite C. Whistler Land Company. 448-1999 tfn

Artist's Cottage
Small 200 sq ft cottage in Land Park/Curtis Park area. Great for an artist, writer, graphic artist, or just a "space" cottage. Not a live-in overnight place. No smokers. $200, plus deposit. Linda, 441-6397 tfn

Roommates

Housemate Needed in Davis
Professional, fun lesbian mom with kids every other Thurs to Sunday and a hound dog every day seeks compatible professional to occupy 1 room of a large 3/2. Own bath and shared living space. $330 + last & $100 deposit. Available 9/1, maybe sooner depending upon departure of current occupant. Dena 757-1940 7/1

Share nice 3 Bd/2 Ba house near CSUS with older GWM. $300/mo, utilities included. Male or female. 386-2504 7/1

Roommate Wanted
Mature GWM to share 3 bd So. Natomas home with similar. Quiet, close to shops, pool, spa, own bedroom/bath. $300 + 1/2 utilities. NS. 568-0224 before 10pm, pls leave message. avail. now. 7/15

South Natomas
Share 3bd/2bth home in furnished non-smoking lesbian household. CH/A, fireplace, washer/dryer, soon to be home spa. $275 + 1/3 utilities. 923-2633 7/1

Real Estate for Sale

For Sale
2017 Sloat way, near 2nd and 21st St. 2 bdrm/1bath California bungalow with lots of built in cabinets in the dining and living room. Beautiful front porch and backyard deck. Street has 3 gay families. House needs some work. $110,000. Call an agent listed in this paper for more information. 7/15

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Super nice home. 1600 sq ft. Great room concept. Master suite with built in office. Many upgrades - hardwood entry, burbur carpeting, tile counter tops. Pool, spa, double RV access, cul-de-sac lot. Orangevale location. $159,000. Call Pat Neal, Broker Assoc., Lyon & Assoc. 782-0537 7/1

Urban Retreat
1940's Bungalow. Coved cailings, french doors, sunporch/green house, dry garden, lilly pond, nine fruit trees, great shade tree. Charming, gay and lesbian neighborhood. 2 bed/1 bath. $104,900 by owner. 5532 2nd at 56th. 739-8132. 7/1

Vacation Rentals

Vacation Home
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Miscellaneous For Sale

Video Directory
1997 Adam Gay Video Directory; 212 color pages with 1,000 gay video reviews, complete with plot, erotic content, rating and photos. $10.95. AGV 1997 Directory, Dept. 3904-7, 8060 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, Ca, 90046-7082 tfn

Dot Matrix Printers
Extra wide Citizen MSP-15. Small Panasonic 24KX p2023. $50. 441-6397 tfn

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Revitalizing full body massage for men. The best stress reduction. Alan 457-5960 8/1

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Alcoholics Anonymous
North Hall, 2015 J St., #32. Nightly meetings 8pm. Don 486-0331, Karla 568-6714 tfn

Narcotics Anonymous
G/L NA meetings, Lambda Center, 919 20th St., Sunday from 7-8:30pm tfn

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MGW Wants You!
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Handy People Needed
Do you know any G/L roofers, carpet companies, painters? We want to keep the money in the Community and its more fun to have family around. Call Linda 441-6397 tfn

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Gente gay interesado en practicar el Espanol dentro de un grupo amigable. Todos nive les son bienvenidos. 8/15 ✆1813

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Just moved back to the U.S. from Europe. I'm a GWM, Professional 37, 5'0", 155 lbs., HIV-, a level tennis player, likes hiking, biking, weight lifteing, eating out, movies. Seeking friends with similar interests. 8/1 ✆1801

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GWM 39, 5'10", dark hair, Lake Tahoe blue eyes, gym toned HIV+, but healthy. Into road trips, outdoors, movies, camping. I'm very easy going and not into bar scene. UB 35-45, HIV+, healthy. NA ND Smokers OK. 8/1 ✆1799

WELCOME ME TO SACRAMENTO!
SPGWM, 5'10", 185, brn/hzl. Getting the mountain bikes out and hitting the trails along the American River and into the mountains. Becoming dive certified and heading for Monterey Bay. Next winter I'll continue ski lessons and checking out California. Just moved from KC, enjoy celebrating my Catholic religion and BEING ALIVE. Romantic dinners, movies and sunset walks along the beach are also joys of my life. But where is that someone to do all these things and more, with? Friends first, LTR possible with the right guy. 7/15 ✆1787

FOR THE FAINT OF HEART
Semi-intelligent, 6'4", 185, healthy HIV+, non-spooky looking 40 year old. I've got a fast boat, I think I need a slow guy this time around. You be 18-40, slim, sane, stable and enjoyable - I am. ND, NA, No flakes - please. 7/15 ✆1786

NEW TO AREA
GWM couple, from Seattle, seeks friendship with other GM couples. We like; movies, music, dinners (out/in), short road trips, coffee, conversation and shopping. Not into bar scene, drugs or smoking. Please call. 7/15 ✆1785

WANTED: GAY MALE
Mature, outgoing, fun loving top. In good shape and healthy. Me: 31 yo, GWM, 5'11", 150 lbs, good looking, brown hair and eyes. HIV-. 7/15 ✆1791

WHAT UP!
GWM, 22, 155, 5'11", brn/brn, HIV+. Love biking, having fun, some partying. Seeking GWM under 28 to have good times with. Call! 7/15 ✆1788

DATELESS BUT...
Not desperate. GWM 22. A stable, loving, romantic writer. Love to cook, hike and camp. UB 24-36, stable, serious, no games. Ht/Wt close to proportionate. I'm a Leo who loves music and dancing. 7/15 ✆1783

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UNCONDITIONAL FRIENDSHIP
GWM, 30, 6'2", 190, brn/brn. WLTM quality guys for friendship and possible relationship. Non-scene. Into surfing, ocean, moonlight walks, camping, volleyball, movies, opera and quiet nights, must be emotionally stable. 7/15 ✆1782

FRIENDS FIRST
GWM, 5'2", brown Hair, Hazel-blue eyes, 140 lbs. Looking for friends first, then relationship later. Tired of being alone. Please call the number and I will call you back as soon as I can. 7/15 ✆1794

SPECIAL PERSON
GWM looking for a special person to be around and spend time with, friends first, then possible relationship. Brown hair, blue eyes, with moustache and small beard. Please call and let's meet, soon. 7/15 ✆1795

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Thurs, June 12th, 3:30 on P St. You: maroon Cadillac, dark hair, beard, flying colors rear window. Me: white Mustang, brown hair, mustache. Turned on 21st, you followed. Lost you at Great Western. Did I make something out of nothing, let me know. 8/15 ✆1811

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LIVE LIFE FULLY
I love God, my family and people including men. GF WLTM lesbians who have outgrown the need to suffer and who have a community that supports them in living life fully. If you are You, aesthetically pleasing, 30-40, please call. 8/15 ✆1808

LOVING POWER EXCHANGE
GWF, 40, attractive, handsom, experienced top, seeks submissive, feminine lesbian bottom, 25-50, for gentle, soft, firm, loving, power exchange. You must be willing and able to commmunicate neds, limits and show respect. Novices welcome. ND NA 8/1 ✆1805

SINGLE GAY FEMALE
36 yr old, slender, new to area. Looking for friendship. Likes: simple pleasures, animals, sports, exploring, music and writing. Tender hearted, intuitive and hardworking. ND N/bi 8/1 ✆1806

I WANT TO LEARN
SGF, 40 yrs old. Novice bottom seeks top SGF 40-55 yrs old. Must be safe and sane. Please, ND or Bi's. I'm fun loving and aware of my limits. Let's play, talk first. 7/15 ✆1784

SEEKING...
GF, 40 something, physically fit and emotionally secure. Interested in meeting other GF's who enjoy horseback riding on N. Calif. coastal and mountain trails (must own a horse). ND/NS/LA. 7/15 ✆1789

STILL LOOKING!
SGWF, soft butch, good sense of humor, loves the outdoors. Still looking for that special woman who is fun, attractive and 40+. ND, N/Bi's, smoking/light alcohol OK. 7/15 ✆1790

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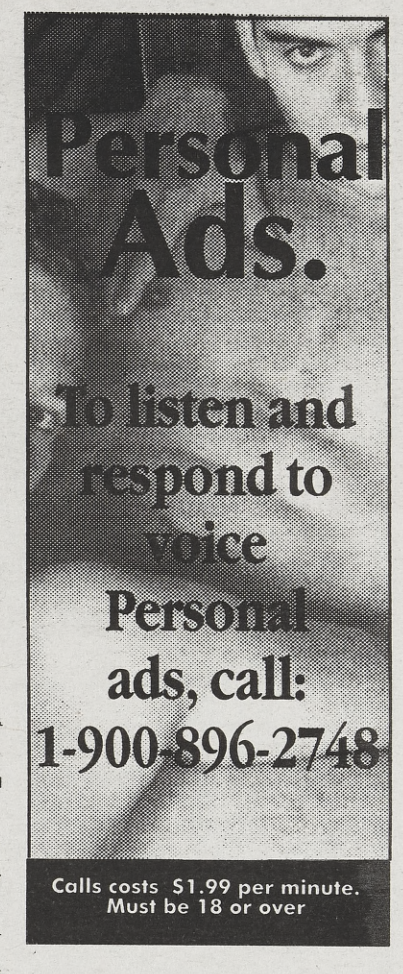

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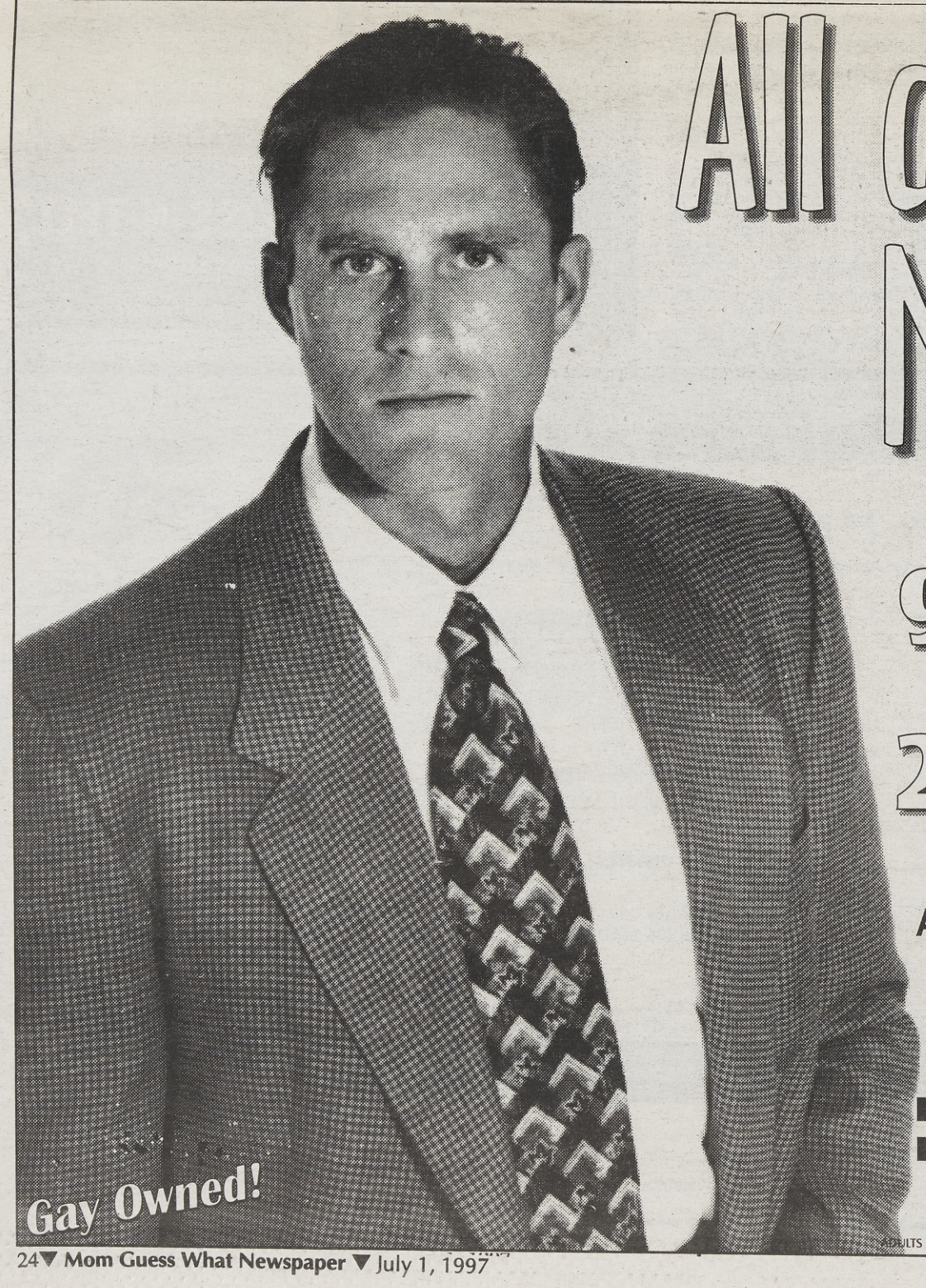

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